

GERMANY FOR "PEACE WITH DIGNITY"

FIRE IN CITY OF POWDER; TROOPS TO QUELL MOB

Hopewell Is in Flames; Condition Is Frantic, Says Governor, Five Hotels Have Fallen

SOLDIERS RUSHED TO QUIET RIOTING

Petersburg Infantry Is Ordered Out; Nearby Cities Send Aid; Wire Communication Ends

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 9.—Hopewell, the new Du Pont powder factory near Petersburg, was burning at 3 p. m. today. The last message to come out before wire communication was interrupted said the powder plant was not yet affected.

State troops were ordered to Hopewell late this afternoon. It was reported that rioting had broken out there.

Governor Stuart in response to urgent requests for troops to control the situation characterized as frantic, ordered the Petersburg infantry company at once to the scene and a riot call was issued in Richmond, calling the local companies under arms in their armories.

TROOPS RUSHED.

The first companies assembled will be rushed over by special trains.

Apparatus has been sent from Petersburg. Richmond sent a complete fire company with apparatus by special train at 3:30 p. m.

The appeal to Richmond for help says that the whole town was afire with the exception of the powder plant, which is located outside the town.

FOUR HOTELS DOWN.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 9.—Four hotels are reported burned in addition to several other buildings. A brisk wind is causing the flames to spread rapidly.

Closed Sea Plan for Mediterranean

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The Morning Post today gives prominence to a suggestion by a correspondent that the Mediterranean be declared a closed sea and that no ship be allowed to trade there without a license from the entire naval authorities. The step should be taken, the correspondent argues, in an effort to combat Texian submarines, which he declares are kept supplied with oil, provisions and torpedoes by neutral states.

Germany Holding Bait to Austria?

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The Times prints an article contributed by a special correspondent on the Zoller negotiations between Germany and Austria, in which he intimates that Germany is holding out as bait the disposal of Russian Poland in accordance with Austrian aspirations, as an inducement to Austria to consent to a fiscal union with Germany.

\$4,000,000 A DAY.
LONDON, Dec. 9.—It was announced at a meeting of the British Red Cross in London yesterday that a recent one-day collection taken throughout the empire had resulted in the receipt of \$4,000,000.

Women Bound and Robbed of \$7000

Armed Men Enter Insurance Office

CHICAGO, Dec. 9.—Three men armed with revolvers robbed the Prudential Life Insurance office here of \$7000 early today. Miss Emma Schindler, cashier, had just taken the money from a safe deposit vault preparatory to opening the office for the day. The robbers bound her back to back with Miss Minnie Hahn, bookkeeper, and bound and gagged Lars Wold, janitor, who came to the women's aid.

Peace Prevails Aboard Oscar II

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—A wireless message from the steamer Oscar II signed and prepared by Henry Ford was received here today. The message gave a summary of a speech delivered on board last night by Judge Ben E. Lindsey of Denver, in which he declared that the spirit of love could be more effective in international politics than military force.

MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—A wireless message from Henry Ford aboard the steamer Oscar II was received at the White House today. Ford asked the president to disregard what he termed inaccurate newspaper accounts of proposals to board the Oscar II and said that he would personally inform the president later as to the trans-Atlantic trip.

Steam Yacht Leaves for the Minnesota

SAN DIEGO, Dec. 9.—The steam yacht Venetia was expected today to reach the disabled Great Northern freighter Minnesota off the coast of Lower California, bearing newspaperized news of the case of the vessel's unexplained difficulties. John D. Spreckels, the yacht's owner, was in command.

No word has been received from the Minnesota, the wrecking steamer Aquia or tug Dauntless towing her. Since Tuesday, when the Aquia reported a position 125 miles south of here.

38 Rescued After Submarine Attack

LONDON, Dec. 9.—Eleven officers and twenty-seven men of the British steamer Helms Mui have been picked up. The Italian steamer Dimis and the Italian bark Pietro Lofaro have been sunk.

War Worry Is Cause of Suicide

SAN BERNARDINO, Dec. 9.—Percy Braid, assistant public administrator and member of a wealthy British family, was found dead today, a victim of self-destruction, the result, friends believe, of worry over the European war.

\$400,000 CLOSE-IN DEAL IS MADE

For a consideration of approximately \$400,000 the block bounded by Broadway, Webster, Twenty-second and Twenty-third streets has been purchased by the Piedmont Building Association from the Durst Brothers, who have held it for about two years. The block is known as the Moffitt homestead and for many years was one of the show places in Oakland. The old house still stands. It was the home of Mrs. Debra Moffitt, mother of James A. Moffitt, banker, and Dr. Herbert Moffitt. It is one of the last of the larger homesteads located in that part of the city to remain intact.

MARE ISLAND TO BUILD NEW BATTLESHIP

Dreadnaught Contract Awarded to State Navy Yard

Bid of \$7,413,156 Is Accepted; New York Wins Second

Secretary Daniels announced at Washington today that contracts for construction of battleships Nos. 43 and 44, authorized by the last Congress, had been awarded to the New York and Mare Island navy yards, respectively.

YARD TO BE ENLARGED.

The question of whether or not the Mare Island yard was to be enlarged so as to permit the construction of vessels of the largest type, hinged on the result of the figures the Federal authorities arrived at in going over the lowest bids for the construction of the two new super-dreadnaughts authorized by Congress.

In size, the new ships will equal the California, now under construction at the New York navy yard. They will displace 32,000 tons, measure 625 feet in length over all, 97 feet 8 inches beam, and draw 30 feet of water. They will have a speed of 20½ knots an hour and will be driven by turbine engines, since the Navy Department has opted to build more ships as combined steam and electric drive, as in the California, until that vessel has proved her worth.

TO BE HEAVILY ARMED.

They will carry a dozen 14-inch rifles, each in their main battery, mounted three to a turret and with thirty-degree elevation; twenty-two 5-inch rifles for defense against destroyers, four submerged torpedo tubes and three anti-aircraft guns; eight aeroplanes and dirigibles.

TORPEDO PROTECTION.

Since the war has brought no vessels of the class of the new ships into conflict, no radical departure in construction is planned, as no definite lessons have been learned. The greatest difference between the two new ships, Nos. 43 and 44—until names for them are chosen—and their immediate predecessors now building, will lie in additional hull protection against torpedo attack.

GERMAN DEPOT DESTROYED.

PARIS, Dec. 9.—In the Champagne district French artillery has caused the explosion of a German depot of munitions at a point near St. Souplet, according to announcement made this afternoon by the French war office.

Two Steamers Are Sunk by Germans

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The British steamer Veria and the Greek steamer Gouladris have been sunk.

\$200,000 IN AUTO PLANT FOR OAKLAND

Chevrolet Company Has Closed Deal for Factory

To Handle Entire Coast Business From This City

Officers of the Chevrolet Automobile Company today closed a deal effecting the purchase of seven acres of land in the Elmhurst district, on which will be erected a \$200,000 plant which will handle the entire business of the corporation in the Pacific Coast states.

TO SPEND \$500,000.

The initial investment by the Chevrolet people will be at least half a million dollars. The price paid for the seven-acre site has not been made known. In addition to the \$200,000 to be expended in the erection of a plant, several hundred thousand dollars will be spent in equipment, which includes high-priced machinery to be used in the manufacture and assembling of the motor cars.

LONG TRIP TO BE VAIN?

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ARRANGE FOR TRACKS.

Arrangements have already been completed for a system of spur tracks which will surround the factory. The electric trains of the Southern Pacific Company run through the property, which adjoins Havenscourt.

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KAISER OPEN TO ENEMY PROPOSALS

SPEECH IN REICHSTAG HITS ALLIES

ATTITUDE OF GOVERNMENT IS DEFINED

Proper Terms Will Make Possible War's End

BERLIN, Dec. 9.—"If our enemies make peace proposals compatible with Germany's dignity and safety, then we shall always be ready to discuss them," said the imperial chancellor, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, in addressing the Reichstag today.

CONSCIOUS OF HER MILITARY SUCCESS.

The chancellor made it clear that, in his opinion, it would be folly for Germany to propose peace "as long as in the countries of our enemies the guilt and ignorance of statesmen are entangled with confusion of public opinion."

HE ASSERTED GERMANY'S FOOD SUPPLIES WERE SUFFICIENT AND THAT HER IMMENSE STORES OF COPPER WERE ADEQUATE FOR MANY YEARS.

ANSWERS SOCIALISTS.

The address of Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, awaited with extraordinary interest, was in response to the Socialistic interpellation:

"Is the imperial chancellor ready to give information as to the conditions under which he would be willing to enter into peace negotiations?"

In his reply the chancellor said: "So long as in the countries of our enemies the guilt and ignorance of statesmen are entangled with confusion of public opinion, it would be folly for Germany to make peace proposals, which would not shorten, but would lengthen, the duration of the war. First, the masks must be torn from their faces."

READY TO DISCUSS.

"If our enemies make peace proposals compatible with Germany's dignity and safety, then we shall always be ready to discuss them. Fully conscious of our unshaken military successes, we decline responsibility for the continuation of the misery which now fills Europe and the whole world. No one can say that we continue the war because we still desire to conquer this or that country as a guarantee."

BRITISH IN DANGER.

Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg began by saying that in the countries at war with Germany there had been much discussion of the Socialist interpellation, and that the knowledge that



VON BETHMANN-HOLLWEG

Assertion Is Made Conquest Not Motive

peace was to be discussed in the Reichstag had been a source of satisfaction to these countries. This was incomprehensible in view of the success won in the campaign against Serbia, which opened the road to Germany's allies and threatened the most vulnerable points of the British empire.

Although this situation would explain a desire for peace on the part of Germany's enemies, he declared, none of them had made overtures. Instead, they were clinging to the intentions which they had announced publicly "with naive brutality" at the beginning of the war.

The chancellor then reviewed recent utterances concerning conditions of peace made in countries opposed to Germany, such as the handing over of Alsace and Lorraine to France, the annihilation of "Prussian militarism," the expulsion of the Turks, cessation of the left bank of the Rhine, and the creation of a greater Serbia, including Bosnia.

SOME ARE SENSIBLE.

It was true, the chancellor continued, that there were some persons in the countries at war against Germany who took a sensible position but they were in the minority and their voices, like those of certain members of the English House of Lords, were unheard.

The theories advanced by Germany's enemies, he said, had lost their force. People had based hopes of a war of twenty years. The pretext that the war was being waged for the protection of small nations had lost its persuasive power in view of recent events in Greece.

FOOD SUPPLIES AMPLE.

He was asked if Poland belonged to Russia by right of nationality, whether this principle lost its power and value if applied to India and Egypt. The imperial chancellor, child at the beginning of the war, by false stories, excited to hatred, were now able, after military and diplomatic defeats, to cling only to the idea of Germany's annihilation.

For this purpose there had been invented the theory that Germany could be starved. On this point the chancellor said with particular emphasis:

"We all agree that our food supplies are sufficient; that the only important question is distribution. The units stretched across Asia into Mesopotamia cannot be crushed. As to copper, the chancellor declared, Germany had immense stores, sufficient for years and years. He spoke of Germany's success in producing rubber for certain articles, such as rubber.

Referring to the discussion whether Germany's enemies would be able to bring greatly superior forces into the field, the chancellor mentioned the fact that the British had called to the colors the class of 1914, bringing into the war the youths under the usual military age.

ENGLISH PRESS ACCUSED.

The chancellor referred to the charge that members of the crew of a German submarine had been shot while defenseless by the crew of the British patrol boat Balmage, and said the English press had concealed the facts of this case from the nation. As he made these remarks the whole house arose as an expression of indignation.

Speaking of the guarantees of the position of Germany in the future to be included in the peace terms, Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg insisted that the longer the war is continued with increased bitterness by Germany's

WILL NOT LET DAUGHTER BE WAR BRIDE

Miss Florence Richards, 2304 Stuart street, Berkeley, will not become a war bride if her parents can help it. Although she is ready and willing to become the wife of First Lieutenant David Stanley Laughland, a Scotch Highlander, who traveled half way around the world to make her his bride, her mother, Mrs. F. E. Richards, is doing all in her power to prevent her from taking the step.

"Of course," declares the mother, "I can't use force, but I'm pleading and begging and commanding Florence to remain at home here with me, and not go to Europe with a man who has to go to war and stand face to face with death constantly. Why, suppose he should be killed. My daughter would be left there alone among strangers, thousands of miles from her mother."

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GOVERNMENT WINS LAND GRANT CASE

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 9.—Virtually the terms of the grant, however, was declared by the railroad to be equivalent to a lottery.

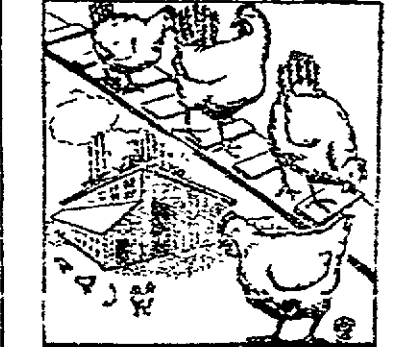
The grant comprises 20,000 acres in southeastern Oregon. The announcement by the district court today that it would grant the decree rendered by the United States District Court, by the terms of the decree the Southern Pacific will be stripped of every right in the land of the grant, with the exception of 3250 an acre.

This equity is assured to the railroad company when Congress arranges the disposition of the grant in accordance with a recent decision of the United States Supreme Court. The court, after recognizing the railroad's equity, reversed the disposition of the lands to Congress. The court's interpretation of

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Germany to Vote Huge War Credit

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Calls Ford One of World's Dreamers

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—"The cry for preparedness comes from fear, suspicion and distrust of our fellow men," said Robert C. Root, secretary of the American Peace Society, speaking at the luncheon of the League for Home Rule in Tassalon yesterday.

Mr. Root declared that he declined to go on the Ford peace ship because he believes that here in California we can bear work for peace by working against military training in the public schools and against the present hysteria for preparedness.

"The world may laugh at Ford. But it laughed at him when he proposed to give his workmen a living wage. Ford says: 'The people of Europe did not start the war. It is going to be the dreamers of the world, with Fulton, Lincoln, Morse, and dreamers have always done more for mankind than the so-called practical men.'"

"The best preparedness for war is work against fire, flood and disease within the United States."

A Pineapple Bronx Cocktail

will be given you tomorrow with our Special 50c Luncheon. Served from 12 to 2 in our Main Cafe or our Pavo Real.

Police Log

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ANCONA PROTEST HAS BEEN MADE

Punishment Demanded of the Captain, Disavowal and Indemnity.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—A vigorous protest against the sinking of the steamer Ancona by an Austrian submarine has been sent to Austria by Secretary of State Lansing. The note was sent following Tuesday's cabinet meeting.

Demands made on Austria are: That the government disavow the act; that reparations and indemnities be given; that there will be no repetition of such warfare; that the submarine commander guilty of the outrage be punished by the government.

Austrian, unsatisfactory explanation, which coincided with the official reports of United States consuls at Algiers, Naples and Marseille and the report of Ambassador Page at Rome prompted the protest.

Thrown From Wheel Chair in Accident

Mrs. Robert Allen, an invalid, was thrown from her wheel chair late last night when the chair was struck by an automobile at Grove and Thirty-seventh street. The driver of the automobile brought his machine to a halt when he saw the woman, but did not in time to avoid bumping her and knocking over the chair. He took Mrs. Allen to her home, 529 Thirty-fourth street, where it was found that she had suffered only minor injuries. "I was driving my wheel chair on the wrong side of the street, and so it is my own fault," Mrs. Allen told the police.

No one thought to ask the owner of the automobile his name, and this he did not volunteer.

AUTOS CRASH; NO ONE HURT.

A big roadster owned by Mrs. J. C. Peters of Irvington crashed into a smaller automobile driven by Arthur Carlson near Milpitas yesterday. Both machines were wrecked. According to the police the roadster was traveling rapidly without lights when it struck Carlson's machine. None of the occupants of either car was hurt.

Too Much Art Is Boyle's Protest

Says Schools Are Too Full of Busts

Art is art, and art is all right in art galleries, but there's such a thing as too much of it in the schools.

This is the protest of School Director Harry Boyle, who, at the meeting of the Board of Education last night, protested against the installation of a bust of Joaquin Miller in one of the schools.

"There's getting to be too many pictures and busts and things in the schools," he declared. "The next thing we know we'll be filling up the schools with old brass cannon and stuff like that because it's art."

The matter was referred to the committee of the whole for decision. Boyle last week protested against a number of pictures being hung in a school.

Money Is Stolen; Sues for Damages

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—The first damage suit filed as a result of the holding up of the Grand Hotel, Turk and Taylor streets, November 16, was sworn to today by C. M. Crisler, who seeks to recover \$750 from Edward Roman, millionaire hotel man of this city. The Grand is one of Roman's chain of thirteen hostels. Crisler said he placed in the hotel \$100 bill and thirteen \$50 bills in an envelope and deposited it with the day clerk, receiving a receipt. It formed part of the loot alleged to have been taken by the robbers, who tied up a bellboy and held up the night clerk. Crisler says he demanded the return of his money, but that this was refused.

American Ship Not Submarine Victim

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The American oil steamer Commupaw, reported to have been sunk off the coast of Tripoli by a submarine, sailed from Alexandria, Egypt, for New York on December 8, according to an announcement by Lloyd's.

The first report that the Commupaw had been sunk was registered December 7. It would appear, therefore, that the tanker has been confused with some other vessel which was sunk. Prior to this there have been conflicting reports concerning the identity of the steamer which was torpedoed.

T. R. Unwilling to Flay U. S. in Canada

TORONTO, Dec. 9.—"I cannot speak for Toronto until I have seen the man," said T. R. Patterson, president of the Toronto Canadian Club, when pressed to address the club in the near future.

Contracts Let for Improving Streets

The following resolutions have been passed by the Council: Awarding contract to J. U. Toffelmier for the improvement of six-fourth avenue, from Green and Bromley avenue in the Jeanette Van Ah tract.

Awarding contract to Hutchinson Company for the improvement of Twenty-seventh avenue between East Twenty-second street and East Twenty-third street.

Granting permission to the Kopperud Construction Company to grade and sewer portions of Dorsey avenue, from First avenue, East Thirtieth and East Twelfth streets.

Northern California Has Light Rainfall

The state, from San Jose northward, enjoyed a slight rainfall during the last twenty-four hours. All of the weather stations in Northern California reported showers, but nowhere was the rain heavy.

In the bay region .02 fell and the storm has now passed eastward. The prediction for tonight and tomorrow is for fair weather.

PASTOR SPECULATES.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 9.—As a result of an investment of \$100 in cotton when it was down to 7 cents last year, Rev. Stephen D. Creman, pastor of Mt. Vernon Southern Methodist church in Atlanta, has \$30,000. Rev. Mr. Creman borrowed all he could on his \$100 purchase, bought more and kept on "pyramiding" as he would say, until he held \$30,000 worth of it. He is disposing of his holding now and purposes putting the money into a trade school for poor children.

Dandruff Surely Destroys the Hair

Girls—if you want plenty of thick, beautiful, glossy, silky hair, do by all means get rid of dandruff, for it will starve your hair and ruin it if you don't.

It doesn't do much good to try to brush or wash it out. The only sure way to get rid of dandruff is to dissolve it, then you destroy it entirely. To do this get about four ounces of ordinary liquid arvon; apply it at night when resting, use enough to moisten the scalp area and it is easily washed with the finger tips.

By morning most, if not all, of your dandruff will be gone, and three or four more applications will completely dissolve and entirely destroy every single dandruff particle.

You will find, too, that all itching and digging of the scalp will stop, and your hair will look and feel a hundred times better. You can get liquid arvon at any drug store. It is inexpensive and four ounces is all you will need, no matter how much dandruff you have. This simple remedy never fails.—Advertisement.



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FRED JEBSEN SUNK WITH DIVER CREW

Californian Killed in Naval Battle, Is the Word Received.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—It's all down over the great horizon for Captain Fred Jesen, beloved adventurer of the sea and well known San Francisco.

Captain Jesen was killed when submarine U-36 on which he was officer, was fired on by the British patrol boat, the Barolong, on August 19, according to a letter written by Paul Dietrich, former foreign exchange manager for the San Francisco branch of the International Banking Corporation, who is now in Germany.

A letter was received in San Francisco yesterday by friend of George F. Volkman of A. Schilling & Co. It carried the news that Jesen's name had been published in the German official list of the dead in the Barolong disaster.

Jesen shipped out of New York, disguised as a Swedish sailor, on a ship for Rotterdam. Volkman received a postal card from him in Rotterdam, declaring that he had a rough time getting through, but that at last he saw his way clear to reach Germany.

The Barolong incident has been made the subject of a memorandum by the German government to England, U. S. and Japan, it is alleged, carried the American flag when it approached the submarine and killed the sailors of the submarine after they had jumped into the sea and were swimming toward the steamship Naxosian, which stood by.

This happened 40 miles off the Irish coast near where the Arabic was sunk by a German submarine. It is not known whether Jesen's submarine sunk the Arabic or whether there were two submarines in the vicinity.

Hyatt Holds Teachers Can Beat Pupils

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 9.—School teachers may employ any method of punishing pupils they see fit, according to a ruling of Edward Hyatt, State Superintendent of Public Instruction. Hyatt, however, says if the punishment is too severe, the matter may be called to the attention of the courts.

The ruling was made on a request from Mrs. E. Burbank Benson of Healdsburg, who says the teachers of that city are in the habit of seating the children and whipping them across their legs with a piece of garden hose, one each of which is cut into strips. If the punishment is resisted by the children they are strapped to their seats and chastised.

CRUELTY IS CHARGED.

Alleging cruelty, Edwin W. Renacker, a tailor living at 4105 Terrace street, today commenced suit for divorce from Theresa Louise Renacker. The couple have four children. They were married in Los Angeles in 1897 and separated last September.

Native Sons Extend Thanks to Tribune

The Tribune has received the following letter:

Editor Tribune: The committee of Athens Parlor No. 18, Native Sons of the Golden West, wishes to thank you for the generous space you gave the club show held at the Municipal Auditorium theater last night. The committee also wishes to thank the public for their splendid support and takes this opportunity also to congratulate the many prominent public officials, business and professional men who took part in the

\$53,886 Is Left by Beachey to Parents

Lincoln Beachey, the young aviator, who met a spectacular death in the bay off the exposition grounds early in the exposition period, left an estate valued at \$53,886.44, according to an appraisal filed in the probate department of the San Francisco Superior Court yesterday by Attorney Fitzpatrick and Greely. All of the estate is bequeathed to his father and mother. The mother, Mrs. Amy Beachey, is administratrix of the estate.

FRESNO'S SCALES "DOCTORED."

FRESNO, Dec. 9.—Fifty per cent of the weights and measures inspected in this city during November were found out of order, according to the report filed yesterday by Harry P. Jayne, county sealer.

Wonderful Friday Specials at The Toggery

Fur and Plush Trimmed

Coats \$6.95

Positively Worth Double or More

This is one of them—and there are several other new belted and flare effects equally as attractive. The materials are winter-weight broken-plaids, mixtures and black boucles and zibelins in dependable qualities. Dashing, well-tailored coats—women's and misses' sizes, \$6.95 each.



New Dress Skirts

Extra special for Friday—well-made, perfect-fitting separate Skirts of poplins, serges, diagonals, mixtures, combinations of silk and serge and silk and velvet.

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Owing to the remarkable success of the Galeno-Gordon-Detwiler Spanish Course now being given in Kohler & Chase Hall, San Francisco, scores of inquiries have been received by the management as to whether or not this course of instruction would be given in Oakland, and though this was not the original intention of the organizers, it has been decided to meet the great public demand and give the course in Oakland, beginning Monday, December 13, next.

In connection with this announcement it is as well to make one point perfectly clear at the outset, and this is that many more applications for membership in the new class doubtless will be received than can possibly be taken care of, therefore the rule "first come, first served," must apply. Here are the details:

\$5.00 is entire cost of course.

No other expense.

Course comprises thirty-two lessons.

The printed lessons are provided you free to take home and keep, therefore there are no books to buy.

No grammar to study. Living languages should not be taught by the same method as that employed in the acquiring of the dead

languages. A living language is mastered more readily by practice than by studying rules of grammar.

This course of instruction will be given in Foresters' Hall, Thirteenth and Clay streets, Oakland.

Beginning December 13th there will be classes every Monday and Thursday until the full course of thirty-two lessons has been given. The same lesson will be given three times on each day, viz: from 12:15 to 1:15 P. M.; from 5:15 to 6:15 P. M., and from 8:00 to 9:00 P. M.

You may attend at the same hour on each class day or you may interchange at your pleasure.

So if you really want to learn to read, to write and to converse in this most important and most beautiful of foreign languages, and thereby equip yourself to handle your share of the great South American trade which already is knocking at our very doors, now indeed is your opportunity. But do not delay unnecessarily. There are over eleven hundred business men and women now completing the present San Francisco class, all enthusiastic over this splendid method of instruction, and the friends of these eleven hundred people already have filled the new San Francisco class just starting.

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ENEMY HELD BY FRENCH AT FRONT

Severe Fighting Lasts
for Twenty-four
Hours

ATHENS, Dec. 9.—There has been severe fighting on the French front during the last twenty-four hours, according to press dispatches from Salonika.

The Bulgarians are said to have made no impression on the French lines in the Doiran-Deinikato section. The accurate fire of the entente artillery decimated the Bulgarians. According to news from other sources the Bulgarians are concentrating considerable forces in the Strumitsa region.

Official Serbian advices place the number of Serbian troops who entered into Albania at 220,000. The Austro-Germany forces employed in the Serbian campaign are estimated at twenty divisions (240,000 men). Five of the divisions are said to be Austrian.

French Retirement Strategic Move

LONDON, Dec. 9.—The French retirement from the Krivolak-Cerna positions must be regarded as a purely strategic movement with which the recent Bulgarian activity in Southern Serbia had little to do, a Reuter dispatch from Salonika declares.

After a desperate effort by the French left to establish a connection with the Serbian forces making a last stand at Babuna Pass, which lack of time and resources made impossible, the dispatch continues, the French were compelled to readjust their lines with a view to shortening their front and taking up winter quarters more easily supplied and less exposed to the inclemencies of the weather.

Condition of Nathan Gantz Very Serious

Nathan Gantz, one of the best known mercantile buyers on the coast, and for many years chief buyer for the H. C. Capwell Co., is seriously ill at the Merritt Hospital and grave fears are entertained for his recovery by his medical attendants. Today at 1 o'clock the report was issued at the hospital that the patient's condition was extremely dangerous and that his physicians were very anxious.

Gantz has been known for years as one of the best buying experts in the West, and is also well known in the big establishments of the East.

Tehama School Bonds Sold to N. W. Halsey

RED BLUFF, Tehama Co., Dec. 9.—Of fifteen bids for Red Bluff's \$30,000 High School bond issue, that of the N. W. Halsey Company, of San Francisco was accepted.

The Halsey Company offered a premium of \$3,313.20 above par and accrued interest. All the bids were above par, the premiums ranging from \$1200.

DIED IN SACRAMENTO. Mrs. Mary E. Riley Theobald, formerly of Oakland and Alameda but lately of Sacramento, died here November 23 after a brief illness. She leaves a husband, W. W. Theobald, a daughter, Mrs. Louise Stells of Glendale, Cal., two nieces, Mrs. G. E. Bartlett and Mrs. O. D. Ayer of San Francisco and San Jose respectively.

BOXING NOT ALWAYS 'MANLY' ART; PULCHRITUDE GETS IN AN UPPERCUT



OFFENSIVE AND DEFENSIVE TACTICS ARE BEING LEARNED BY BERKELEY GIRLS AND WOMEN UNDER THE TUTELAGE OF THE PHYSICAL INSTRUCTOR IN THE COLLEGE CITY'S SCHOOLS. MISS VIRGINIA PECK (LEFT) AND MISS HELEN TUSCH, BERKELEY HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS, ARE SHOWN HERE PRACTICING, IN A FEMINE WAY, THE "MANLY ART."

MEXICAN ARMIES MEET IN BATTLE

DOUGLAS, Ariz., Dec. 9.—Conflicting reports were received here today concerning the battle at Fronteras, Sonora, on the Nacozari railroad, between the Villa forces of General Jose Rodriguez and the Carranza troops who are trying to surround the town and force the surrender of Rodriguez. All reports, however, indicate severe fighting, with heavy losses on both sides.

A concentrated attack from three sides began early today on Fronteras, official Carranza statements issued at Asua Prieta stated. Colonel Arnaldo Gomez with 200 infantry and several pieces of artillery was pressing forward from the north. It was said, while General Martinez and Laveaga were attacking Fronteras from the south and east.

Berkeley Girls Take Instruction in 'Fine Points' of Game

Boxing is no longer confined to the "manly" arts in Berkeley. Girls and women with more pulchritude than muscles are donning the gloves and learning "the fine points of the game" in a gymnasium which they have established in Alston way, and which is presided over by Miss Violet Richardson, the physical instructor of Berkeley's school department.

College girls and high school girls, club women and society women, are members of this women's gymnasium. Sixteen of the members are athletically inclined co-eds at the State University.

"Boxing, while not exactly a feminine pastime, is a pleasant one for women, nevertheless," declares Miss Richardson. "So I have established a course in boxing which ranks, in my opinion, in the same class as my courses in fencing and the dancing of fancy steps. Why shouldn't women learn to box? Besides being a splendid means of physical development, it is useful in that it teaches them to defend themselves."

Most industrious among those who are taking instruction in boxing are Miss Irene Tusch and Miss Virginia Peck, students at the Berkeley high school, and Miss Alice Lehman, a senior in the State University.

That the "game" has not, as yet, progressed as far with the women as it has with most men who wield their glove-encased fists, is evidenced by the appearance of the wrist watch which Miss Peck wears while boxing.

The progress of the little group of athletic women will be shown at an entertainment to be given in the auditorium of the Berkeley high school tomorrow evening. Boxing and fencing exhibitions and dancing will be features of the program.

NEW TURN IN ARMS STRIKE INQUIRY

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—"Things are stirring" in the government investigation into the alleged activities of Franz von Rintelen and his associates to incite strikes in munition factories, it was learned today from federal officials in charge of the inquiry.

Following United States Attorney Marshall's sudden summons to Washington yesterday, it was announced today that the grand jury which is investigating the Rintelen case would probably not be reconvened before next week and that a large number of new witnesses would appear before it. Officials refused to give any intimation as to the new turn the inquiry had taken.

For the first time today it was officially admitted that certain German and Austrian consuls may be mentioned in the report of the grand jury. It was also stated that one of the subjects which has been given close attention by the jurors was the strike at the General Electric Company works at Schenectady last summer. Twelve thousand workers were involved in this strike, which lasted several weeks.

At the time it was repeatedly rumored that German influences were behind the strikers. The General Electric Company has large contracts with the allies for munitions.

Bunch of Gum Trees Not a Sylvan Nook

Superior Judge W. H. Donahue today decided that there cannot be much privacy underneath a gum tree in settling the suit of John Van Hooser against the Layman Real Estate Company, in which \$1875 damages were asked.

Plaintiff set forth that he had purchased a lot in 1913 in the vicinity of Rockridge on account of the seclusion offered by a growth of eucalyptus trees. Later the trees were cut, under order of agents of the real company.

"Any one who ever wanted seclusion never went under a gum tree," commented the court in awarding judgment for \$150.

CAMPAIGN STARTED AGAINST SALOONS

Initiative petitions submitting the question of prohibition to the voters of California at the general election in November, 1916, were filed with the county clerk here today. The petitions bear 5000 signatures.

The petitioners aim to have the question submitted in two forms. One proposed amendment to the constitution prohibits after January 1, 1920, the manufacture, sale or possession of alcoholic liquors. The other prohibits after January 1, 1917, their possession or gift in certain enumerated private places and places of public resort, and forbids the sale of liquors anywhere except in pharmacies for specific purposes.

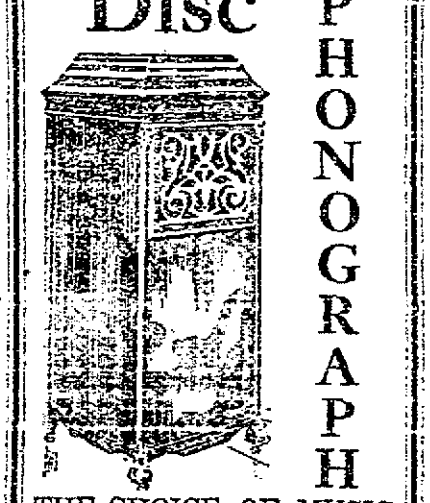
This last proposition permits the manufacture of liquors and its sale and transportation in quantities of not less than two gallons to common carriers for shipment to purchasers, to pharmacists and to the permanent residence of purchasers. It has been drafted to meet the demand from some quarters that the wine industry of the state be not affected. Both proposed measures provide that the payment of internal revenue tax shall be considered prima facie evidence of violations.

The petitions have been circulated by the California Campaign Federation, whose head office is in San Francisco, and which is composed of the Anti-Saloon League, the Women's Christian Temperance Union, the Prohibition Party and the Public Welfare League. The latter organization has had charge of the circulation of the petitions in Alameda county.

VETERAN NEAR DEATH

M. J. Anthony, an aged war veteran, was found this morning in a gas-filled room in a local lodging house. He was removed to the Receiving Hospital, where he was revived by Dr. W. H. Irwin. Anthony recovered sufficiently to return to his abode. The aged veteran turned on the light in his room during the night and forgot to turn off the gas, according to his story. The light went out and he was discovered several hours later when the odor of gas was detected.

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For the first time in the history of Oakland the police department failed to receive a single report of a theft, robbery or burglary for a period of 24 hours. The night reports submitted to Chief of Police W. F. Woods and Captain of Inspectors J. J. Petersen were blank.

Both Woods and Petersen had their fingers crossed today. The lack of complaints seemed uncanny to them. Captain J. M. Lynch said nothing, but apparently knocked wood.

"The 'night city,' which usually contains a list of reported crimes, taking up almost a page of single space typing, contained nothing but a related report concerning the theft of some carpenter's tools several days ago."

"It may be the lull before the storm," said Desk Sergeant Henry Nedderman.

HUERTA GENERAL FREED

SANTA FE, N. M., Dec. 9.—General Jose Ynes Salazar, a former Huerta general, tried on charges of perjury, was acquitted by a jury in the Federal District Court here today.

The charges grew out of Salazar's testimony at habeas corpus proceedings following his entrance into American territory after the battle of Ojinaga, northern Mexico, in 1914.

Attorney Injured in Jinney Crash

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—R. F. Peckham, an attorney of 1665 Grove street, was painfully injured and William Bowe, a chauffeur of 725 Twenty-second street, was hurt in a trolley accident on the Civic Center at 2:30 o'clock this morning. A machine in which Peckham was the only passenger, collided at McAllister street and Van Ness avenue and collided with a trolley pole. The auto was completely wrecked and Peckham and Bowe, the driver, were thrown out. At the Central Emergency Hospital it was found that Peckham had suffered numerous lacerations to the face and injuries to both legs and hands. Bowe received a lacerated temple. Peckham was able to be removed to his home later in the morning.

SAYS HE PAWNED RINGS

That her husband had pawned her diamond rings, sold their home, furniture, silverware and kitchen utensils and spent the proceeds in gambling, is the complaint of Mrs. Mackie Dee Mayfield in a suit for divorce from William N. Mayfield, which was filed today. The couple were married in Houston, Tex., in 1906, and separated in April, 1914.

Prayer and Praise by Prohibitionists

The day of prayer and praise for the national constitutional prohibition amendment set apart by the National Woman's Christian Temperance Union and observed by the Alameda county organization was held in the First Baptist church Wednesday. Mrs. Mattie McMath presiding. A song service opened the morning session. A brief memorial service was held for comrades recently promoted. Mrs. D. J. Spencer of Alameda and Mrs. Juliet Jones paid a tribute to Mary Norwood Carrander recently of East Oakland, state superintendent of social meetings and red letter days.

Luncheon was served, directed by Mrs. L. Jesner. The afternoon session, with devotions in charge of Mrs. Pelton, evangelistic superintendent of Oakland Central Union, the discussion, "Why National Prohibition," was led by Mrs. Dorcas Spencer. H. E. Wolcott followed with arguments which were frequently applauded. Mrs. E. J. Williams added interesting facts.

ENGLISH POET DEAD

LONDON, Dec. 9.—Stephen Phillips, poet and dramatist, is dead at Deal, England, where he had been in failing health for some months. He was born in 1868.

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Little white Silk Caps from 50c to \$3.50 for the smallest babies and even more fetching little bonnets and hats trimmed with laces, rosebuds and ribbons from \$1.50 to \$5.00.

Gift Aprons

Dainty affairs for sewing or chaffing dish suppers and plenty of the plainer and more practical kinds.

At 25c and 35c—White Aprons made with and without bibs, plain hemmed or trimmed with embroidery.

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At \$1.00 to \$1.50—Very fine and dainty affairs of sheer swiss and organdy—made in a great variety of styles. (Second Floor.)

New Boudoir Caps

Daintiest lace and crepe de Chine confections we have seen—pink, blue and lavender. Some have ribbon, while others boast of flowers and rosettes—65c and up.

Christmas Books

Our big new stock of Holiday Books is now complete and we believe it is the best we have ever shown.

Largely increased space and extra salespeople insure your comfort in choosing.

Children's Books.

For your convenience a large display of Children's Books is now located on the Third Floor adjoining the Toy Shop.

Children's Picture Books—10c and up.

Boys' and Girls' Books—25c, 50c and up.

Books of Fiction—25c to \$1.50.

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Choose them now when you can do so leisurely and while the collection is at its best. Counters piled high with the season's prettiest American and European designs. Prices 1c to 50c.

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The prettiest Handkerchiefs at the low prices ever displayed in Oakland.

A very large assortment white Handkerchiefs with colored borders, some with initials and some all white ones at—5c each.

Other plain and initialed Handkerchiefs for women at 10c each.

Children's Handkerchiefs of many pretty kinds—Box of 3—15c.

Battenberg Scarfs

Good looking Scarfs with battenberg edges and Linene Centers—95c.

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Xmas Entertainment for Sailors in Port

Officers of the Seamen's Institute of San Francisco, at 221 Steuart street, are planning to entertain a large number of sailors during Christmas week this year. The Christmas presents to every sailor of the Marine hospital will be made by the institute. In addition, rations of food will be given to the men on the lonely Westcoast in and about San Francisco bay.

The Rt. Rev. William Paul Nichols, Episcopal bishop of San Francisco, is president of the Seamen's Institute, which maintains a home for sailors in Steuart street. John Larkin, pastor of St. Paul's church, is secretary.

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**Second Divorce Suit
Commenced by Wife**

After a sensational charge against her husband in the San Francisco courts, Mrs. Blanche B. Harris of Berkeley, who failed to obtain satisfactory results to her, has now started suit for divorce from Robert T. Harris, former Los Angeles banker, and is endeavoring to collect \$500 per month alimony.

Mrs. Harris, in her suit for separate maintenance brought in San Francisco, charged that her husband had an affinity in the person of Anna Kendall, who for some time lived in the same house with them. She claimed that her husband paid the other woman's bills and supported her to the extent that their relationship became a matter of gossip.

As a result of the suit Harris is said to have lost his position as manager of a Los Angeles bank, where he had been in receipt of an income of \$500 a month. The couple were married in Ogden in June, 1909, and have three grown daughters.

TEA CLUB MEETING.
HAYWARD, Dec. 9.—The Hayward Tea Club met at the home of Mrs. John Allen Park yesterday afternoon. Fifteen of the club members were entertained.

**Business Men Hear
of Scenic Beauties**

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—Mount Diablo, adopted by the Merchants' Exchange of Oakland as a scenic asset, assumed new significance yesterday to the San Francisco business men gathered at the luncheon at the St. Francis Hotel, arranged by the Downtown Association.

In describing \$100 annually to the support of the Tourist Association of Central California, R. N. Burgess, president of the Mount Diablo Scenic Boulevard Company, impressed the local business men with the importance of Mount Diablo as a tourist asset to San Francisco.

The meeting and luncheon at which representatives of the leading civic and commercial organizations of the city were in attendance, had been called for the purpose of inaugurating a campaign to "keep the tourist" in this part of the state and to follow up the good work done by the Exposition and the tourist association during the past year.

The development of Mount Diablo as a scenic asset to San Francisco and Central California was immediately recognized as the first step taken in the campaign to "hold the tourist."

**VILLA SENDS TROOPS
INTO CERTAIN DEATH**

**Bandit Chief Refuses Advice and Orders
Army to Attack; Three Battalions Killed
in Charge Near Hermosillo**

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 9.—A detailed account of the campaign in Sonora of General Francisco Villa portraying disastrous defeat was given here yesterday by an officer whose name is withheld, but who was known to have been with General Villa until recently, when he crossed into the United States. He said:

"When we started from Juarez toward Sonora, the column was composed of 3,000 men, with heavy guns and several machine guns. The general appearance of the troops was good and we had plenty of ammunition."

We reached Casas Grandes by railroad. After one week, General Villa ordered the troops to Sonora. The soldiers were satisfied and contented, but when we reached that state we found no food nor water.

General Villa then announced his intention of attacking Agua Prieta. "We were aware that General Calles had 2500 men and knew he was expecting reinforcements, bringing his force to 6000."

REFUSES ADVICE.
General Alberto Cuatrecasas advised Villa to pass Agua Prieta, detaching a small cavalry force to draw Calles into the open, and to proceed to the vicinity of Hermosillo. Hermosillo was defended by only 3000 men under General Dieguez, and Carranza believed it easily conquerable.

"Villa declared he was tired of being 'taught' by everybody and ordered the attack on Agua Prieta. The first day of the attack the Villa infantry was repulsed with 2000 killed and 7000 grenades exploded without greatly damaging the Carranza forces."

"At night the Carranza searchlights, barred wire entanglements and showers of bullets prevented our approach. After three days Villa directed his force of 9000 men into three divisions. General Jose Rodriguez headed 3000 men and thirty-six guns at Naco, General Manuel Medina Villa commanded 3000, mostly mounted, mediana villa was sent to the Ures district. North-eastern Sonora. Villa went to Nogales. Rodriguez was left in Naco."

"From Nogales Villa went to Her-

mosillo and was joined by Urbalejo with 500 Yaqui Indians."

"Dieguez, Carranza commander of Hermosillo, had entrenched on the heights surrounding the village of Santa Rita in the southern part of Hermosillo, just across the Sonora river and the Carranza mountain commanding the Hermosillo valley."

"Villa approached from the north, distributing his army near the flour mill at Hermosillo. Carranza ordered open fire dominated from Carranza mountain, on Urbalejo's advice. Urbalejo and his Yaquis went to the southern part of Hermosillo."

"Villa's attack at dawn and the remainder of the grenades were exploded, about 1000 by the artillery, without result. Villa ordered General Jose Heron Gonzalez, chief of the Villa infantry, to charge Carranza mountain and take it before sunset. Gonzalez said his men were tired and hungry and wanted to wait until dark. Villa repeated the order, angrily saying: 'Mediana villa and his 30000 cavalry were due to arrive and would retake the infantry.'"

THREE BATTALIONS DEAD.
Gonzalez charged, the reinforcements did not arrive, and Gonzalez was killed with his men. Three battalions lay dead on the mountain side, under Carranza machine gun fire."

"Gonzalez then retreated to an orange grove where he was killed by a Carranza volley."

"Urbalejo and his Yaquis remained inactive and retreated upon Gonzalez's failure."

At Naco, on the retreat from Hermosillo, where Urbalejo's cavalry was scattered by Dieguez forces, Urbalejo became disgusted with Villa because he ordered the execution of some Yaquis at Magdalena for looting."

"Villa, on his return to Nogales, said he was confident of rising again and capturing Mexico City."

The narrator deserted Villa at Magdalena and came to the United States. He concluded by stating Rodriguez lost all of the thirty-six cannon, and that he and Medina Villa had never reported to Villa's headquarters. Villa at the time of his departure had intended going to Sinaloa."

**Church Arranges
for Whist Party**

A whist tournament will be held at St. Patrick's auditorium, Tenth street between Pereda and Campbell streets, Thursday, December 16. The committee in charge expects a large crowd of whist players. They have provided for 250 tables.

Joseph Kenney, chairman of the prize committee, has announced that he has enough tickets to start a lottery fund. The committee men are as follows:

J. M. Samuels, chairman of the publicity committee; Joseph Kenney, chairman of the prize committee assisted by William Duddy, William McNally, Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. J. Waxon. The boosting committee consists of Catherine Higgins, Margaret Higgins, Cecilia Waxon, Alice Randall, Mary O'Brien, Catherine Mullins, Raymond Duddy, Joseph Mullins, Paul Cullen, Cyril Kenney and Joseph Mullins.

BENEFIT IS PLANNED.
FRANCO, Dec. 9.—An entertainment for the benefit of the victims of a shooting accident will be held Monday evening at the home of John A. Gann. Whist will be played by the guests. The injured man for whom a fund is being raised recently came out of a hospital after treatment for a serious gunshot wound.

**Surveyor's Brother
Accidentally Shot**

CHICO, Dec. 9.—William Fox of Chico, brother of County Surveyor Martin C. Fox, accidentally shot himself through the right leg, just above the knee, while cleaning a .30-caliber revolver at the shooting range near Chico. Fox was not injured and was not seriously hurt. The leg was not injured and was not seriously hurt. The leg was not injured and was not seriously hurt.

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THE PHILIPPINES.

The message of Governor-General Harrison to the Philippine legislature, delivered seven weeks ago, has just been received here, and it discloses some of the difficulties which the Islands are facing now and which will continue to confront them during the coming calendar year. Mr. Harrison could not forego the opportunity to utter sentiments for consumption of the Democratic party in the United States. "The headlong rush of the insular government toward bankruptcy," "It has been our duty to reduce this extraordinary structure of extravagance," "You have proceeded wisely and with patience to take down the overwhelming burden of expenditures raised up by carelessness and extravagance," are phrases which he designed to catch the attention of the members of the legislature and the crowded galleries of the Ayuntamiento. Considering that the great majority of the members to whom he spoke were also members of the legislatures that built up the "overwhelming burdens," he aroused little enthusiasm. On the contrary his allusions were considered indiscreet. The Governor-General placed much emphasis on the promise of greater self-government. These are brave words:

The experience of the past two years demonstrates beyond question the justice of granting still further measures of self-government to the Filipino people, and to that end the passage of the Philippine Bill by the new Congress is eagerly awaited. The bearing of the Filipino people under the disappointment at the recent failure of passage of the bill was admirable. The failure was due only to lack of time for its consideration during the last days of the sixty-third Congress. We may therefore expect at the present session of Congress affirmative action upon this much-desired legislation.

President Wilson in his message to Congress last Tuesday echoed the same sentiments thus:

Bills for the alteration and reform of the government of the Philippines and for rendering fuller political justice to the people of Porto Rico were submitted to the Sixty-third Congress. They will be also submitted to you. I need not particularize their details. But I do recommend them to your early adoption.

Much remains to be done before the question of further political powers to the Filipinos may be presented to Congress with sufficient favor to insure "affirmative action," and if the people of the islands are again disappointed, Messrs. Harrison and Wilson will be to blame.

There are even to the Filipinos more important matters than endorsement of the academic doctrine of political independence. Finances are in a bad way, according to the Governor-General. There was last year a deficit of \$1,400,000. The present emergency taxation measures, like those in the United States, expire December 31st and some means must be found to make up the loss of the export duty entailed by the Underwood tariff law. Public improvements and popular education are at a standstill. The Filipino people may not relish being given political control over their country after Filipino and Democratic politicians have first made it bankrupt.

"JUDGE" DANIELS.

Former Lieutenant Edison C. Oak of the United States Navy possesses a large private fortune. Therefore it was easy for him to reach the conclusion to quit the service when things went wrong. Lieutenant Oak was senior engineer officer of the cruiser San Diego when a boiler explosion occurred aboard that vessel last January, resulting in the death of nine of her crew. He was tried by court-martial upon the charge of negligence. The usual and effective method relied upon by the government to ascertain the cause of accidents in all cases. The naval court did ascertain the cause of the fatal explosion and afterward exonerated Lieutenant Oak of blame.

There does not seem any justification for going behind the findings of this court-martial. Expert and professional testimony disclosed that a strainer top had been dislodged and sucked down over the feed line suction, completely closing it so that no water could be supplied from the starboard tank and this resulted in the explosion. It was not considered a part of the chief engineer's duties to keep his eye on the strainer top. But Secretary Daniels thought differently when he reviewed the findings of the court-martial. He disapproved them and

severely censured Lieutenant Oak for the death of nine of his shipmates.

It is not necessary to inquire whether Lieutenant Oak was a capable officer or whether the naval service will sustain a severe loss through his withdrawal from it. There is likewise no wish to question the wisdom of allowing the civilian secretary of the navy to disapprove a court-martial sentence and to comment upon it at any length he wishes. It is difficult to understand, however, upon what grounds Mr. Daniels assumed he was better able to judge impeachable evidence on the San Diego explosion than were the members of the court-martial. He adopted the same tactics in reviewing the recent court-martial of Rear-Admiral Little, retired, on the charge of inattentiveness to duty as inspector of submarine construction. In addition to his other talents Secretary Daniels seems also to believe he is an expert naval constructor and engineer. The country will hesitate, however, to acknowledge his ability in these lines as readily as it did his fitness to purchase pajamas in wholesale lots.

HOW EUROPE VIEWS U.S.

Mr. John Hays Hammond Jr., former Californian, engineer and inventor, returns home with the news that Europe cannot understand why there should be any necessity for a campaign for preparedness in this country. They take it that the lessons of the present war have conclusively proven the necessity for preparedness on the part of every nation. Says Mr. Hammond:

No one in Europe can understand how there can be the necessity for a campaign of preparedness here. They seem to think that the calamity that has befallen England, France and Russia should be sufficient argument to show the people here that preparedness is an absolute necessity of national existence. The war is regarded in Europe as the greatest argument for preparedness. France and England feel that if they had been prepared the war would never have taken place. It was only their condition of comparative unarmament that led Germany to make her attempt at world power. They have learned their lesson well during the long months of the war and will never again be found unprepared.

We believe that the true national sentiment of the United States is much the same as it is in Europe. The extreme pacifist and the peace-at-any-price propagandist have made so much noise that it may seem otherwise but our policies will be shaped, we devoutly hope, by that thoughtful and serious patriotism which learns by experience.

"ANOTHER POET."

Shakespeare must have had some person very much like Henry Ford in mind when he wrote "Julius Caesar," says the New York Times, which cites the interruption just between the quarrel and reconciliation of Brutus and Cassius:

Poet—For shame you, generals! What do you mean? Love and be friends as two such men should be; for I have seen more years than ye.
Cassius—How wisely doth this cynic ryme!
Brutus—Get you hence, Sirrah; saucy fellow, hence!

Cassius—Bear with him Brutus; 'tis his fashion.
Brutus—I'll know his humor, when he knows his time. What should the wars do with these jiggling fools? Companion, hence!

Cassius—Away, away, be gone!
And the rest is eternal silence for the rash meddler, except that "Exit poet" dismisses him to oblivion, continues our amiable contemporary. "That is the fatal error for Mr. Ford and his friends—they do not know their time. But in these suaver days it would never do to call them 'jiggling fools.'"

The application of the Los Angeles socialist, Job Harriman, and his friends to the State Commissioner of Corporations to sell shares in a co-operative colony having for its object the establishment of a socialist colony in Nevada is of more than passing interest. The Nevada Colony Corporation is a new concern with five million dollars authorized capital, and if its plans are matured, there will be two thousand new socialists in Nevada ere long. Senator Newlands was re-elected last year by only a few score majority. It was a hotly contested race, too, with his party machine and his personal friends doing their utmost. Senator Newlands charged his near-defeat to the socialist vote. There are only about 20,000 voters in Nevada and it is not difficult for a few hundred voters to vitally affect the results of an election. It is not inconceivable that we may see in time a Socialist United States Senator elected from Nevada.

We believe that there is at present before the country no more important issue than the enfranchisement of women—Miss Alice Paul, chairman of the Congressional Union.

In his first message to Congress President Wilson discussed nine questions he considers as of first importance, but enfranchisement of women was not among them. Unless he experiences a complete change of sentiment the President will not recommend Congressional action on woman suffrage at all. Aside from this, however, Miss Paul's sense of proportion is twisted. Congress must consider immediately vital and unavoidable questions of international issue, national preparedness and revenue to provide against bankruptcy. These are of prime necessity and it would appear that suffrage must accept a place far down in the rank of present issues.

The Canal Record, published at Panama, which has just been received, says "there is nothing in conditions to warrant any prediction as to the probable date of the opening of the canal." This statement is conservative if not consoling, and tells the whole story in a few words.

NOTES and COMMENT

St. Louis is to get the Democratic national convention, so that is that. Now for the Republican.

President Wilson may have qualified for the support of the inchworms, but the inchworms were not appealed to very strongly in the message.

T. R. is right on hand pointing out how the message would have been different if there had been a different outcome in 1912. At least, that is what he is driving at.

Twenty-five thousand of the millions who came to California to see the greatest exposition ever yet assembled are going to winter here, showing their unerring aim.

The Missouri Supreme Court has upheld the validity of contracts for advertising in Sunday newspapers. This seems to have been an unusual though vanishing angle of the Sunday law.

Eighty-five women took the examination in San Francisco for police-matrons. Of these six passed, and of the six, one is to be appointed. Women figure in these things almost as badly as men.

There was a clash between the women suffragists and the women's anti-suffragists at Washington Monday. Members of Congress who have troubles of their own will not, it is understood, seriously intervene in any ructions of this character.

This man Villa has perhaps heard of the shooting of two women in Belgium as spies, and has gone there several times. A dispatch from Paris is to the effect that on Monday he had fourteen shot on the same charge.

It is a grisly story, that about retrieving a ten-dollar gold piece from the stomach of a dead man, he having swallowed it before decaying. The explanation that the money was necessary in settling the dead man's estate adds to the grisly.

One of the ironic incidents of the Ford movement is the enlistment for the war of the whole force of the Ford automobile works in Manchester, England, just after the ship heard its anchor here for the voyage across. So much depends upon the point of view.

Seven thousand flags held up in the custom house because their staffs were not stamped "Made in Japan," in accordance with one of our funny laws, were sold at the custom house Tuesday for \$3.1. By the way, what sort of a patriotic inspiration was it to have American flags made in Japan?

The consensus of opinion among lawyers and others apparently competent to have opinion on the subject is that Jordan is right—meaning Frank Jordan and having reference to the question of party designation when you register. But the concentrated wisdom of those who think that way is pitted against entrenched authority, and there you are.

Twenty armed men made an attack upon railroad cars loaded with munitions and grain and consigned to European nations as the train was awaiting movement near Johnston, Pa. Such proceedings as this confirms the idea that the people of these United States are indeed patient. What other country would submit to such high-handedness?

The Alameda councilman who seeks by ordinance to abolish juneys may be a budding though he is certainly not an original, lawgiver. The determination by ordinance of who may and who may not lawfully drive a lawful vehicle along a public street is beset with difficulties that baffled the legislative mud long before the juneys began to trouble the traffic squad.

THE CHICAGO BABY.

At a time when politicians and generals have to decide almost every day whether to purchase a trench or a bill at the cost of so many human lives, the death of a helpless baby has set a whole nation talking.

It happens to be a nation which cannot boast that it cares supremely about its babies, for hundreds of thousands of them die every year of preventable causes. They die of tenements which could be ventilated, of milk that could be kept clean, of neglect that could be remedied. They die because their fathers are underpaid, because their mothers are overworked; they are run over on city streets because there are insufficient playgrounds; they are infected by dirt diseases; they are starved. Given a chance in life most of them would become happy and useful. They are refused that chance because public opinion is too indolent, because many landlords and business men are too greedy, because politicians are cowardly and ignorant.

Every year borders of fine human beings are condemned to death because it costs too much to save them. But the refusal to keep alive a deformed idiot has become a moral issue throughout the Nation—The New Republic.

ALASKA'S SECOND-CLASS MAIL.

Fairbanks is 30 miles from the nearest railroad at Chitina, Dawson. In the United States there is no mail service to Fairbanks. The Canadian postal service sends mail to Dawson's throughout the winter. The United States postoffice closes shipping second-class mail in September when the river freezes up. American magazines and newspapers do not reach their subscribers in the interior of Alaska between September and May.

Automobile trucks carrying freight and even perishable fruit arrive in Fairbanks all winter. Is there a good reason why Alaska should receive only a partial postal service in winter while the Canadian Yukon Territory enjoys full postal facilities the year around?

There is none—Street Magazine.

WHERE THE FOG IS THICK.

A Massachusetts man has invented a means for ending the peril to lives of fog at sea. If some genius would only invent a way of overcoming the fog in Congress which impedes the country's shipping through foul Furuseth laws, great things might be accomplished. Philadelphia Bulletin.

THE FIRST IMPORTANT BILL



A Bankruptcy in Leadership

IT MUST be a very superficial observer who has failed to notice that the popularity of President Wilson has receded from its high tide, as has the public approval of his acts. The causes of this are mixed. Stated in the broadest way, it will probably be fair to say that the feeling of the public toward the President is rather puzzled. He has not lived up to the picture of him which the public, with or without good reason, made for itself. The reasons are partly peculiarities of temperament and partly that the President did not supply aggressive leadership at a time when the country's mood would have been better satisfied by aggressive leadership. Any one who will take the trouble to analyze President Wilson's career in the White House cannot fail to observe that his achievements have been chiefly literary, chiefly an eloquent and attractive expression of high ideals. This is reflected in a phrase frequently seen nowadays in the public press, namely that the President deals wholly in ideas and lets ideas take the place of facts and things.

The public feeling, which is disappointment in the case of the President, is somewhat more acute in the case of the Democratic party. The leadership of the Democratic party is stubbornly opposed to preparedness. Bryan and Kitchin and the others who are against preparedness are leaders of the party in a much more real sense than Wilson is. These leaders are violently opposed to preparedness. If they fail to express themselves in action, it is because they are willing to defer to Wilson for expediency's sake and with an eye to the election next year. If Kitchin chose to make a fight, he could muster a majority of the members of Congress against Wilson's preparedness program and could defeat the President in caucus. Wilson's course on preparedness is a makeshift one—a middle ground—chosen, one is almost compelled to feel, for expediency's sake. It would be difficult to argue that a party and a President that after sixteen months of warning have added not one soldier nor one sailor to our means of defense represent the feeling of the public at the present time.—Collier's.

THE JESTER.

The Eugenic War of the Future. Officer (pointing to prisoner)—If you find any suspicious papers on this man, shoot him. If not, shoot him anyhow; he's cross-eyed.—Widow.

For Immediate Use.

An old Rip Van Winkle of a fellow went into a country drug store and asked for some powder.

"Face, gun or bug?" asked the clerk, leaning far over the counter.

"Bug," replied the old man, "and mean to mind about wrapping it up—just blow it on my whiskers."—Cottrell's Magazine.

Where Kindness Killed. "Henry," she murmured, fondly gazing at her slender lord and master, "you are quite the style; your narrow, sloping shoulders are the correct thing."

Then she added dreamily, "I was wondering, Henry dear, if bow-ties will ever come in."—Judge.

Substitute. "So you have taken to carrying around a monkey? This is going too far."

"Well, you never go anywhere with me," was his wife's somewhat ambiguous retort.—Pittsburg Post.

Great Record. The Fair Neutral—If suppose sailors got used to the sea, admiral?

Admiral von Turpin (proudly)—Fraudulent, dare not be a single case of seasickness for nearly twelve months.—Times.

CLOWNS.

I know how Pinocchio felt. Who daily for the crowd Made merry till the welkin rang With acclamations loud—

Beave wretch! He showed the world no sign Of how he groined for Columbine!

We wearers of the motley learn. Thus well to play our part. To jest, though each one knows, alas! But bitterness of heart:

'Tis not for daily bread we seek— But, 'Lord! 'told me to wear my mask!

Brothers to Punchbello, we Who dare not even weep Till kindly night conceals our tears, And all the world's asleep.

God's pity from His Heaven came down On us, who needs must play the clown. Times.

PERSONALITIES.

Andrew Freedman, once an intimate friend of Richard Croker, who died in New York December 4, provided in his will that half his residuary estate, estimated at \$1,000,000, shall be used for the establishment of a home for the aged "who have been in good circumstances, but, by reason of adverse fortunes, have become poor and dependent."

When Sarah Bernhardt appears next month she will have to compete with herself in the movies. The Universal Film Company will exhibit "Jeanne Dore," for which she posed after her recent operation. The film will be shown about January 1.

Dr. Albion Walter Hewlett, graduate of the University of California and formerly professor of internal medicine at the University of Michigan, has been appointed today to succeed Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, president-elect, as professor of medicine at Stanford University.

Addresses were made at the annual dinner of the New York Southern Society by Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels and Myron T. Herrick, former ambassador to France. Among the other guests were Sir William MacKenzie, president of the Canadian Northern railway, and Richard H. Gordon, commander of the Confederate Veterans. The guests drank a rising toast to the health and coming happiness of President Wilson.

TWENTY YEARS AGO TODAY

Mrs. Henri Fairweather discussed music as an educator before the Institute of Applied Christianity last evening at Asbury church, Fifteenth and Clay streets.

A Mother Goose tea was given by the Godwill Kindergarten at the parlors of the First Congregational church last evening. Among the amusements was a Punch and Judy show.

Captain Frank Long, Henry Boyer and Frank Barber returned last night from a hunting excursion to Suisun.

Mrs. A. W. Forester of Los Angeles is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James P. McCarthy, of this city.

Mrs. C. T. Mills has returned from a visit to the southern part of the state. Rev. and Mrs. Walter Frear and Mrs. Judge Frear have returned from a visit to Santa Rosa.

Howard Miller of this city has returned from a six-months' trip to Europe.

Mrs. L. S. Hasley with her daughter, Gertrude, have gone to Santa Barbara. Times.

THE FORUM

The Editor of The Tribune disclaims responsibility for opinions and statements expressed in this column. Brief contributions on current topics of general interest are welcome. They will not as a rule be printed unless accompanied by the name of the writer, which, if desired, will be withheld from publication.

(APPRAISE OF FORD).

To the Editor of The Tribune:

How easy it is to receive credit for something which is only done to satisfy a selfish desire for praise from thoughtless persons. If one criticizes the actions of those persons he is accused of being narrow-minded. "One of the greatest men in the world of today is Henry Ford," says Mr. Steffensen. Well, looking at the matter in one way he is right. Mr. Ford, or anyone else who can become a cent-millionaire within the space of ten years, shows a degree of acquisitiveness almost unbelievable. And to be able to become the literal master of ten thousand workmen, and have them earn \$400 hand over three-fourths of all the wealth they have worked for those ten years, denotes a power possessed by but few men. Truly, Henry Ford is "one of the greatest men in the world today." And, if permitted the privilege to say so, so is Rockefeller, Sr., Carnegie, Morgan, and all the rest of the multi-millionaires. Great masters owners, exploiters of other men. But, what, permit me to ask, is such greatness of selfishness in the greatness of such men as Thomas Edison, Samuel Morse, Alexander Graham Bell, Alexander Graham Bell (Theo. N. Van made it possible), Marconi, Tesla, Burbank—but that will do—all were and are truly great men. They did not become great through selfishness and avarice.

THEO. E. FEISER.
57 South First st., San Jose, Cal.
December 7, 1915.

WHAT IS DOING TODAY.

Oakland Women's Household Show. Meeting of the Society for the Promotion of Vocational Education and Occupational Guidance at the University of California.

Illustrated lecture by Tracy Kitching on "Conditions in Belgium" at Hotel Oakland.

St. John's Episcopal Church "Feast of Days" Bazaar.

Meeting of the Overseas Club, Berkeley.

California Writers' Club Festival. First Presbyterian Church Bazaar.

WHAT IS DOING TOMORROW

Maud Powell Concert for the Berkeley Musical Association, Harmon Gymnasium.

Oakland Women's Household Show. Municipal Auditorium.

League of the Cross Cadets' military ball, Maple Hall.

Channing Church organ recital, Berkeley Unitarian church.

Young People's Concert, Oakland Auditorium Theater.

Philosophical Union Lecture at the University of California by Dr. Jacob Lowenberg.

Oakland Boys' Club Band Benefit Concert and Ball, Hotel Oakland.

St. John's Episcopal Church Annual Bazaar.

Oakland Civic Center Meeting, Hotel Oakland.

Piedmont Union School Presentation of "At the Peacemakers."

Claremont Club's "Evening on the Zons."

St. Paul's Chancel Chapter Annual Bazaar.

Tres Joli Club Entertainment and Dance at Edell Hall.

CRIMINALS FROM GREENLAND.

American commercial interests in Greenland rest wholly on obtaining supplies of crystals from there. The quarries at Iglood, at the southern extremity of the island, produce nearly all the crystals used in the world. The United States is now importing considerable quantities of this crystal, its use being in manufacturing opaque glass for enameling ironware (the imports of which from Europe are now cut off) and in fluxes for electrolytic aluminum and white Portland cement. New York Times.

ARCHITECT DONOVAN IS CRITICISED

An attempt of members of the Board of Education last night to place City Architect J. J. Donovan on the grill resulted in the administration of a scathing denunciation of the attitude of new members of the body, in which the architect protested the intemperate remarks that were too expensive, demanding that blame for leaky roofs and minor troubles be placed on the shoulders of the city, and rebuked the suggestion that a cheap class of buildings be constructed in future.

"You want to put up buildings that would be like a man wearing a celluloid collar," declared the architect. "You come up here and look around for something to find fault about—and in three million dollars' worth of work all you can find is a leaky roof. Now, I want to know if any one of you people believe you have not had your money's worth."

Directors Aber and Edwards, who started the discussion, declared that they had no doubt that the schools built under Donovan's direction were good.

WANT CHEAP SCHOOLS. "But they have cost \$10,000 a room in some cases," declared Aber. "All we want is to put up a cheaper type." The board had inspected the schools of San Jose, now being built, in which the cost of construction was less than in the city.

"Oakland is Oakland and San Jose is San Jose," declared Donovan. "As a matter of fact, the people would not stand for you putting up the class of buildings they have down there. As city architect I protest against such cheap work going up. It is absolutely unsafe for a crowded school."

"Well," said Aber, "I'd rather see a big cheap building than a little expensive building all hedged around with portables to accommodate the children."

"I find that the boiler under the Technical high school is not in good condition," declared Edwards. "It is not—I found that out, too," declared Donovan. "What I came here for tonight was to demand that you order another before you release the contractor from his bonds."

"How about that?" asked Edwards. "Why didn't you report it before?" "Because I had to be legally sure of my facts first," snapped Donovan. "This is a legal case. It's up to your city attorney now, anyway. I've made my report."

The matter of adopting imitation tiles for future work was laid on the table following the architect's prediction that such work would prove unsafe and expensive.

SITE FOR OBSERVATORY. Declaration of Thomas Thompson, an employee of the Realty Syndicate, that that company might refuse extension of the Chabot Observatory lot.

REAL HUMORIST IN UNIVERSITY PRIZE AWARDED FUN-MAKER FIND WIT IN PROSE AND VERSE

After all they do breed humorists at the University of California. If this was in doubt in past years, when it was found impossible for lack of worthy subjects to award the Samuel C. Irving humor prize, the stain was wiped away this year. In the judges' opinion there was fun aplenty in the terms student writings, and that they had to study long among the possible winners before they decided finally upon Edwin Marshall Maslin.

Maslin is a junior in the college of letters and sciences and registers at the University from Watsonville. He has contributed to several college publications, but mostly in verse to the Pelican. The award has just been announced.

caused anxiety for a moment, until officials of the syndicate, hastily called by telephone, reassured the school board and declared that such an announcement was authorized.

The telescope for the observatory, which had been on exhibit at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, will be shipped tomorrow, according to a report made by Charles Burdick, director of the observatory. It will be installed in the completed dome at once.

The controversy in the school physical department, in which G. H. Prind and his assistant, Miss Signe Hazelthorn, are heads of opposing forces, was referred last night to Superintendent A. C. Barker with power of action. He being instructed to take any necessary action to end the dispute. The board refused to hear the particulars.

Permission was granted the boys of the Technical high school to use a spare room for a "Wireless Club" to study wireless telegraphy.

Recommending legal action against bonds of the contractors, Business Manager H. W. Bridgeman demanded that immediate repairs be made in the ventilating and electric bell and telephone systems at the Technical high school. The matter was referred to the city attorney.

The rules were temporarily suspended for the purpose of granting one year's leave of absence to Miss Carita E. Miles of the Emerson school. Miss Myrtle Reid was granted an extension of her leave of absence for six months, beginning January 1, 1916.

The resignation of Miss M. Agnes Russell, teacher of domestic science and art, now on leave, was accepted. The recommendation of the superintendent of schools that Albert Humphrey be assigned for protection work at the University high school one day per week next term was approved.

Overcoat Thief to Seek Probation

Henry Lynow, the young overcoat thief, who yesterday confessed to the police that he had stolen 20 overcoats from automobiles for his bride, pleaded guilty to a charge of petty larceny today and asked to be placed on probation. His case was referred to the probation officer by Judge George Samuels, and the case continued until December 16 for sentence.

WHIST PARTY HELD. SAN LEANDRO, Dec. 9.—St. Leander's Whist Club held another of its tournaments in St. Joseph's hall last evening. The affair was as usual well attended.

nounced. Mayor Irving's prize is given annually, but was withheld at least one year when the judges could not find anything deserving of it. Maslin's work has shown up strong in the past two or three Pelicans, and every time he has printed anything he has scored a hit, in the opinion of the judges. Here is one of the verses upon which their verdict rested:

A COLLEGE MAN.
O, it's fine to go home in vacation
To your little village clan,
To show your pins and golden keys
And knowledge gained from histories
—And be a College Man.

O, it's great to go home for a while
From Buer-sheba to Dan,
To meet old friends upon the street,
And know each one you chance to
—meet
—And be a College Man.

O, it's good to be free from college
mails
For Mary Jane and Ann.
To take them to a picture show
And tell them more than all you
—know
—And be a College Man.

O, it's fine to go home in vacation—
A harmless charlatan.
To bug the fire and toast your toes
And pose, and pose, and pose,
—and pose
—And be a College Man.

Maslin has also done some prose in the satiric essay style. Here was one recent offering:

A LECTURE ON HUMOR.
(Not by a Humorist.)

Humor is vulgar. Don't deny it—it is. Look at its philological record, black as the mud that steams from Hades, gloomy as the clouds that loom over Orcus.

First let us put the word "vulgar" on the dissecting table. Clearly, my dear young friends, it is derived from the Latin word "vulgus"—meaning "of the throng," "of the great mass," "of the people." People? Ah, yes, people! There it is, stark naked—in utter transparency. For "people," my dear young friends, in the wonderful Latin language, is "populus"; and whatever is dear to the "populus" is popular. And humor is popular.

And so, my dear young friends, let us traverse the charming road we have traveled, back to our starting point where I said "Humor is vulgar." Undoubtedly! For it is popular—and therefore vulgar. And since it is vulgar, it is popular. Good morning, my dear young friends.

One other brief offering, for which Mr. Tennison is originally to blame, was the following parody:

IN MEMORIAM.
(The Gambler's Lament.)
Broke, broke, broke.
I bet my last cent on U. C.
And I would that my tongue could
utter
The sums that I lost on thee.
O well for the lucky fellow
Who bet on the team that won:
O well for the wiser student—
But the thing that is done is done.
Broke, broke, broke.
For the sake of thy fame, U. C.
And the affluence state of a day that
is gone
May never come back to me.

SANTA CLAUS WILL TARRY IN OAKLAND

Santa Claus will tarry a bit longer in Oakland on Christmas eve than his schedule calls for. Hundreds of Good Fellows are going to hold the merry old chap here by main force and see to it that he leaves no empty stockings behind when he finally glides away on his skidney Christmas morning.

One Good Fellow called at THE TRIBUNE this morning and took the names of twenty poor families—meaning sixty little children who faced a cheerless Christmas.

"You don't mean to say you're going to take care of sixty-five kiddies, do you?" he was asked.

"Not all by myself," was his reply. "But you see I represent a little family club of men who all have automobiles, and on Christmas day we're going calling on the addresses you give us, and we're going to take our wives and our own kiddies along, and we're going to spend one-half the day making people happy. We figure it won't cost us much to load our cars with goodies and toys, and we know we'll get our money's worth in the pleasure that we give the youngsters who were afraid that Santa Claus would never find them."

So there we have sixty-five children made happy all in one lump. Oh, if there were only a whole lot more Good Fellows like that!

MEANS HAPPINESS.
Surely, the spirit of Christmas is the Spirit of Love, and no finer way of spending the day can be devised than by devoting half of it unostentatiously to making other folks happy.

You wait and see the tears of joy trickle down the face of the little crippled girl into whose thin hands you place a dainty doll that cost you perhaps 50 cents. If you don't reap a rich return on your investment, right there and then, you don't deserve the name of Good Fellow.

Yesterday established a new record for the second week of a Good Fellow campaign. Never before have so many requests been received and so many cases attended to.

And in a surprisingly large proportion of the cases those enrolled have been men and women—and children—who were Good Fellows in former years.

WORDS OF PRAISE.
"I am glad, indeed, to note that you are continuing the work this year. Four years ago I received through your department, the name of the L family, who are now located at West North avenue. For the last four years both Mrs. L and myself have visited these people at Christmas as well as at other times, and we will take care of this same family this year, including the four children. I am writing you so that you will not give this name to any one else, for we will see that they are provided not only with their Christmas dinner, but with as many of the adjuncts of Christmas as possible."

HERE IS A LETTER.
What Good Fellow wants to take this letter home with him. It reached THE TRIBUNE today and is genuine:

FIGHT FOR CONVENTION IS 3-HANDED

With two strong opponents, Chicago and Philadelphia, to fight in the campaign for the Republican National Convention, San Francisco and Oakland campaign committees have prepared for the struggle to hold the big meeting for California. Philadelphia suddenly entered the field, a committee with a \$100,000 guarantee fund starting its operations yesterday, according to wires received by the committee this morning.

The committee was headed by the California congressmen, and a committee is expected to arrive in Washington today to carry on the brunt of the fight.

San Francisco's claims for the national convention will be formulated in Washington by the California delegation to the legislature and Milton Esberg, Julius Kahn and A. C. Rulifson will be on hand with the guarantee fund to back up the congressmen's work.

While the fund is raised and Oakland's share contributed, the Oakland committee, headed by Victor H. Metcalf, is still receiving donations of various sums. These are volunteered, the committee no longer asking funds. It is probable that these extra donations will be returned to the donors.

Frank Short, of Fresno, Alfred E. Berg and several other prominent Californians are on their way to Washington to assure the legislature that the move is not a San Francisco move but one in which the whole state is participating. A large number of Nevada boosters, the committee has learned, and also large California's claims to the convention.

The Chicago delegation also began its work today, according to the wires received, and it is intimated by the California congressmen, the real fight will be between the California and Illinois boosters.

Senator John D. Works, Congressman Nolan, Congressman Julius Kahn, and several others today sent reassuring wires to the San Francisco committee, stating that while the fight is to be a hard one there is every advantage at California's hands.

"Dear Mr. Good Fellow: My dear friend, I am writing you a little letter asking you to tell Santa Claus to remember us at Christmas time. We are four girls and one boy. Please do not let Santa Claus forget us."

"My dear has been out of work for a long time, and we will not have any toys for Christmas. I am 8 years old. One of my sisters is 6. My other sister is 12. My baby sister is 2, and my little brother is 4."

"Please tell Santa Claus to bring me and my sister a baby doll a piece, and my little brother a teddy bear. And oh, dear friend, a lot of candy and good things. I'll be very anxious till Christmas morning. Please do not tell our names, as the boys and girls will laugh at us."

"From your friend,
(Names and address furnished to the first Good Fellow who asks for them.)

San Leandro to Supply Seedlings European War Stops Importations

Delegates from California today assured the Western Association of Nurserymen, in its twenty-sixth annual convention in Kansas City, Mo., that the famed San Leandro district would supply the United States with cherry seedlings in the future years, and declared that no fear need be felt that cherries would become scarcer because of the European war.

Reports were given the nurserymen that plums and cherry seedlings, their import curtailed because of the war, are becoming scarce. The United States, it was reported, was threatened with a dearth of cherries and plums in the future years because of this.

Cherry seedlings from the San Leandro orchards will probably find their way to all parts of the country now as a result of the stopping of the importation from Europe. Local orchardists are already making preparation for the biggest business year of their experience next spring.

The Western Association of Nurserymen is said to represent more than half of the nurserymen of the country. Delegates are in attendance at the Kansas City convention from California, Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma, Colorado, Nebraska, South Dakota, Iowa, Minnesota, Illinois, Indiana, Alabama, Ohio, Texas, Pennsylvania and New York.

Express Co. Hearing Is Set for March

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 9.—The railroad commission this morning postponed until March 10 the date on which Wells Fargo & Co. is to file a tariff covering the transportation of express packages within the State of California. The original order was made two years ago and the company has been making computations in an effort to comply with it. The company applied a month ago for permission to raise its rates, saying it was using \$60 a day because of the low charges imposed upon it. This application has not yet been set for hearing, but will be heard in the near future, and probably will be decided before March 10.

ENGLAND GIVES RECOGNITION.
LONDON, Dec. 9.—Lord Roivert Cecil, parliamentary under secretary for foreign affairs, announced in the House of Commons this afternoon that Great Britain had formally recognized the Carranza government in Mexico.

KING NAMES ROMANONES.
MADRID, Dec. 9.—Count Alvaro de Romanones was today chosen by King Alfonso to form a new Spanish government in succession to the Dato cabinet, which resigned on Monday.

CARRANZA'S AMBASSADOR IS APPOINTED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Eliseo Arredondo, General Carranza's confidential representative in Washington, has been selected to be the next ambassador from Mexico to the United States.

Secretary Lansing formally announced receipt of advice announcing Arredondo's appointment. The new ambassador, Secretary Lansing said, would be announced later. Henry E. Fletcher, now ambassador to Chile, virtually is certain to go to Mexico City.

The Mexican embassy here received its first information of Arredondo's appointment through the State Department dispatches, which were forwarded by John W. Belt, who is representing the department with General Carranza. The new ambassador probably will receive and present his credentials about the same time that the appointment of the new American ambassador to Mexico is announced.

The appointment of an ambassador will restore full diplomatic relations between the two governments, which were interrupted with the recall of Henry Lane Wilson two years ago and the subsequent controversy with General Huerta.

Sign This Joy Card

If you will be a Good Fellow at Christmas to some family of poor children in Oakland, please fill out the attached blank and send it to THE TRIBUNE (Good Fellow Department) or write a letter of similar import.

I live at No. street. I will be Santa Claus to children (any number you wish). Please give me the names of the children in (state what section of the city you prefer to have assigned to you). Sign your name

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Pure linen, hand embroidered initial, hemmed 1-5, 1-4, 1 and 2 inches—
6 in Box for \$1.50 the box
6 in Box for \$2.00 the box
6 in Box for \$3.00 the box
Pure linen, generous sized, hemstitched handkerchiefs with complete assortment of hems—
Priced 15, 25, 35, 50, 75 Cents, \$1.00 and \$1.50 ea.
Men's pure linen handkerchiefs, tape and cross-bar effect—
Priced 25, 35, 50 Cents and \$1.00 each
Colored bordered handkerchiefs in the newest and most novel styles— Priced 25 and 50 Cents

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A splendid assortment of new styles in silk, fibre silk and knit silk. An extra attractive display—
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Shirts
We show a fine line in Madras, full plaited, negligee styles with attached cuffs—
Priced \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50
Tab silk shirts in beautiful colorings and patterns are shown— Priced \$5.00
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Bonnet Brushes \$1.00 to \$1.85	Perfume Bottles 50c to \$4.00
Manicure Trays 35c to 65c	Talcum Holders 75c
Jewel Boxes \$1.50 to \$3.50	Nail Polishers 75c to \$1.50
Talcum/Shakers 65c to \$1.25	Soap Boxes 25c
Shoe Horns 25c to 65c	Toilet and Manicure Sets \$5.95 to \$13.50
Tooth Brush Holders 25c to 50c	
Hair Brushes \$2.00 to \$5.00	

Drug Section—First Floor.

Jimmy Ross Loses to Ortega on a Foul; Luscher Stops "Rudy" Nelson

Originals Ready to Defend Their Title as State Club Champions

LOW PUNCH IN THIRD PUTS END TO MAIN EVENT

Mexican Battler, Crippled by Foul, Is Awarded Decision.

"Battling" Ortega, the Mexican, who has been known for his low punches, was the victor in the main event of the boxing match last night. The fight, which was the main attraction of the evening, was a close one, but in the third round, Ortega landed a low punch which crippled Nelson. The referee, who was a well-known expert, awarded the decision to Ortega. The fight was a hard one, and both men were tired at the end of the third round. Ortega was the victor, and he will be ready to defend his title as State Club Champion.

PORTLAND STICKS IN LEAGUE

Portland will continue as a member of the Pacific Coast League. The new transportation rate agreed upon by officials of the league and the agents of the Pacific terminal lines has been sanctioned by the Transcontinental Passenger Association. This is welcome news to fans of the league, for the loss of Portland would have been a severe blow to the prestige of the league, even though the magnates might have saved money temporarily.

CALIFORNIA MAY MAKE BASKETBALL A MAJOR SPORT

Blue and Gold Tossers to Start Trip North in Early January.

BERKELEY, Dec. 9.—California will meet Washington in basketball early in January according to an announcement made by Graduate Manager John Stroud. The trip will be made from the University of California to the University of Washington. The trip will be a major event for the Blue and Gold basketball team. The team will be made up of the best players from the University of California. The trip will be a great opportunity for the team to play against a strong team. The trip will be a major event for the team.

NORTON TO LEAD TEAM

For two years, will be acting as captain. The team will be made up of the best players from the University of California. The trip will be a great opportunity for the team to play against a strong team. The trip will be a major event for the team.

DEATH CALLS UPON BILLY MAGRANE

Sporting men about the bay section will be sorry to learn of the death of Billy Magrane. Magrane was a well-known sportsman and a member of the local sports club. He was a great player and a great leader. His death is a great loss to the sports community. He was a great player and a great leader. His death is a great loss to the sports community.

BASKETBALL

The sophomore basketball team of St. Mary's college, which has been playing well, will be the main attraction of the basketball game tonight. The game will be a hard one, and both teams will be tired at the end of the game. The game will be a great opportunity for the team to play against a strong team. The game will be a major event for the team.

BILLIARDS

The match game of three cushions on the Oakland Billiard Parlor last night was won by Tom Allen, who defeated W. Michaels by a score of 25 to 23. Allen was a well-known player and a great leader. His victory was a great achievement for him. The game was a hard one, and both players were tired at the end of the game. The game was a great opportunity for the team to play against a strong team. The game was a major event for the team.

Fur Will Fly When These Lads Get Busy



THE OAKLAND ORIGINALS. READING FROM THE LEFT THE PLAYERS ARE HAMPTON, DOW, WILSON, MOIR, BRUZZONE, STEINBACH, GIBSON, EASTMAN, ZAPPEITONE, BROWN AND GILL.

"Y" Tossers Face Church League Champs Tonight

Tonight on the Y. M. C. A. court an exciting game is looked for when the Oakland "Golds," who last week defeated the University of California five by a score of 50 to 24, will line up against the Plymouth Center team, who but recently were returned winners of the Oakland Church League by defeating the Fill Regis team 33 to 23.

Gossip of the Padded Ring Ahearn-Gibbons Scrap Is Off

With Moose Tausig acting as manager and adviser-in-chief, Willie Mehan, pride of the fat men of San Francisco and known as the "Cotton Killer," through his fondness of beating the colored boys, leaves for New York next Tuesday. Along with several of the other old four-rounders, were barred from the San Francisco amateur game through Chief of Police White's latest action, and as he is in great form and fighting like a real champion at present, he took it into his head to go east, where, he thinks, they will fall for his wind-ups and comical miking.

ARROUSEY MATCHED WITH MALONE

The Pacific coast featherweight championship should be finally determined next Wednesday night at the West Oakland club when Johnny Arrousey, the Los Angeles boy, meets Frankie Malone, the hard hitting local featherweight. The two have long been the leading boys in their class.

World's Greatest Marksmen To Jubilate With Local Club

The Golden Gate Rifle and Pistol club will celebrate its annual king shoot, banquet and distribution of prizes at the Shellmound range, Sunday. The Golden Gate Rifle and Pistol club has been organized since 1909 and has among its membership the best rifle and pistol men in the world.

OAKLAND BILLIARD PARLOR TONIGHT

Clevedon vs. Huribut Daily Exhibitions by COWBOY WESTON 1109 BROADWAY Admission Free

Reminiscences of a Veteran Sporting Editor

As a matter of fact professional baseball players take their vacation seriously. Like a certain Brooklyn pitcher, they will in games of great importance cross themselves before each pitch, or be blessed by a priest before going on the diamond. The Boston "Globe" once had a column of "baseball prayers" written by professional men. And partly because of the players' belief in their own superstitions, they take a very serious view of the matter. The players' superstitions are a very real part of their lives. They believe in them, and they will do anything to keep them. They will even go to the extreme of crossing themselves before each pitch, or being blessed by a priest before going on the diamond. The players' superstitions are a very real part of their lives. They believe in them, and they will do anything to keep them.

Connie Mack Signed 7-Year-Old Boy

Jack Doyle, who scouted for the White Sox last year, tells a good story how Connie Mack got Davies, named one of the Athletics' young outfielders. "I got a tip about Davies last year," says Doyle, "and I watched him in several games up in New England. Then I followed him to his home in New Hampshire and decided to sign him for \$10,000. He was under age, I had to call in his relatives to witness and approve the contract. His father, mother, sisters, brothers, cousins and aunts were all there when I signed the document. Davies, to my astonishment, learned that Connie Mack had signed Davies when he was seven years old, and that the boy was only 17. Connie gets them when they are infants."

Here's a Defense of Football

The anti-football faction which calls gridiron sport brutal, tough and unfit for the circle of legitimate sports, has an opponent. A death on the chalked field and the anti-batters are ready to bend the neck of the pigskin. A football accident is a defense of football. The anti-football faction is a very real part of the sports community. They believe in them, and they will do anything to keep them. They will even go to the extreme of crossing themselves before each pitch, or being blessed by a priest before going on the diamond. The players' superstitions are a very real part of their lives. They believe in them, and they will do anything to keep them.

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Meeting Place Changed; Center of Health Pl

Announcement has been Association of Collegiate meet tomorrow at the St. at 2 o'clock instead of at the

franchise meeting. At this affair, which will be held in the Ballroom, an expense

ambitious program will be
Miss Katherine Jewell Evans
will read Galesworth's plan
Miss Evans, who has been
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widely known for her artistic
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preside as chairman of the
Miss Marion Leach as chair-
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be no luncheon at the Dece-

the session.

Dr. Adelaide Brown of the member of the State Board and C. H. Cheney, secretary of the State Board of Migration and Housing Commission, will address the California Civic League at the meeting which will be held at Hotel Oakland at 2 o'clock. The former will discuss "Health Problems" and the latter will discuss "Living Conditions in California." W. Whitworth will preside over the program, which will close at 2 o'clock.

Preceding the addresses will be a business meeting at 2 o'clock.

OPEN FESTIVAL.

East Bay literary began a three days' "festival" under the California Writers' Club at the home of one known members, Miss Mary Coronado streets. Books and lectures written by authors with the club were on sale, and gossip on still other authors. This evening many of the organization will enjoy an and tomorrow a "oriental" held under the direction of son Allen of Berkeley. The

arranged by Mrs. J. Torrey Connor and
Mrs. Perham Nahl.

As a material evidence
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Association gave a dinner
the members of the sewing
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young set of Oakland society, and young women who will have serious need of their new knowledge, but together

they prepared, and together with the various dishes of the rivalry ensued in concocting delectable kitchen creations and a great deal of fun.

In connection with its candy course where it is fascinating sweets is to be taught under the tutelage of domestic science instructor, Miss M. J. Specker. Miss Specker is the Santa Barbara State School of Manual Art and Home Economics. She has a long list of titles that mark her

The hour is to be at 12 a. m. and the

DANCE AND ENTERTAINMENT
BERKELEY, Dec. 9.—The Bethneer Jewish youth organization, will hold its regular gathering next Tuesday evening 14, at 2130 Center street. The affair will be in the nature of a social and dance and require numbers to be among the participants. Kornblum, Felix I. Jonas Newman. The public is invited. The pulpit of the First Hebrew

Julian D. Conn on Friday evening, December 10. He will speak on "The Jew Before the Public."

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Friends and acquaintances are requested to attend the funeral service at 2 p.m. Monday, June 18, at the home of the deceased, Mrs. J. H. Jones, 1234 N. La Grange St., Chicago.

BRANDLIN-ELIHEMANN-Henry Brandlin, 34.
Napa, and Mithilde Eliehemann, 19, Oakland.
HOLMAN-EDWARDS-Leon D. Holman, 30, and
Martha L. Edwards, 34, both of Oakland.
TEIREIRA-FERRIRA-Mauro G. Teireira, 22,
and Theresa Ferrira, 19, both of Oakland.
MEILMANN-GILBERT-Henry Meilmann, 28,
between twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth
streets. Remains at his late residence,
Eighth street, Oakland, until 3 p. m.,
afternoon. - Internment, Mount Olivet, at
mobile.

FRASER-In Emeryville, Cal., Decem-
ber, 1915, George P. Fraser, beloved hus-
band of Mrs. Fraser, father of Robbie and

DUTTON-THOMAS—Edward W. Dutton, 26, and
Eva J. H. Thomas, 25; both of Ukiah.
WILLIAMS-VAN MEYER—William H. Williams,
45, and Claribel Van Meyer, 31, both of Oak-
land.

EVANS—Margaret Evans against Arthur B. Evans; desertion.
KNOWLES—Elizabeth Le Vanebe Knowles against Eugene C. Knowles; cruelty.
MAYFIELD—Mable Dee Mayfield against William X. Mayfield; cruelty.
REYNOLDS—Carmelita W. Reynolds against John W. Reynolds; adultery.

BIRTHS.
BARRY—December 7, to the wife of Edward James Barry, a daughter.
GABLE—December 3, to the wife of Louis Gable, a daughter.

Lincolna Fowle, a daughter.
KNAPPE—December 4, to the wife of Ralph A. Knapp, a daughter.
LANDI—December 8, to the wife of Salvatore Landi, a daughter.
LAFAYETTE—December 8, to the wife of John Lafaille, a son.
LINDHOLM—December 4, to the wife of Aaron Mattie Richards, father of C. T. E. of El Paso, Texas; Mrs. C. W. Hart Berkeley, Cal.; Mr. Bessie James of Cal.; H. B. Richards of Berkeley, Cal.; W. Richards of Richmond, Cal.; M. Tharp of Oakland, Cal.; brother of Richards of Burlington, Iowa, a na Richards, and a daughter.

NEWMAN—December 1, to the wife of Pete E. Newman, a daughter.
LAWSON—December 6, to the wife of Charles Smith Robertson, a daughter.
SMITHS—November 29, to the wife of Herbert Joshua Samuels, a son.
TEAL—October 20, to the wife of Charles Teal, the funeral services Friday, December 1915, at 1:30 p. m., at the residence of James Taylor, northeast corner of Jones and Jefferson streets, Oakland, Cal., the auspices of Admiral D. D. Porter, No. 162, Interment, Mt. View cemetery.
SCOTT—in this city, December 8, 1915, Scott, beloved wife or the late James

YORK—December 3, to the wife of Robert York, a son.

DEATHS.

Irene White, Giovanni Arata, Amira Batchelder, Merritt, Jane Foster, Elizabeth Casick, Mary P. Lopes.

SILVA—In São Leandro, December 7, Louisa Silva, beloved wife of Frank Silva, 18 years, 10 months and 24 days.

Funeral services Friday, December 1 at 2:30 o'clock p. m., from her home, Thirty-fourth street, between West and 4th street.

BANDLE—In this City, December 7, 1915, Anna Maria Bandie, beloved mother of Fred J. Louis E. Mary J., Frank W. and George E. Bandie, grandmother of Alleen and Ethel Bandie, a native of Germany, aged 92 years. Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral Friday, December 10, 1915, at 2:30 a. m., from

bara A., dearly beloved mother of H. Clay Blake, Mrs. E. C. Crystal, Mrs. B. C. Easton, a native of Missouri, aged 72 years.
Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral services Friday, December 10, 1935, at 11 a. m., at the chapel of Edward E. Nichols & Co., 2424 Telegraph
Lizetta, beloved wife of S. J. Wright, sister of Mrs. Dora L. Shackelford of Jeter, cousin of Mrs. Gell Griffin of Falls, Ore., a native of Kansas and a
Funeral notice hereafter. Deceased E. Henderson's parents, Telegraph are Twenty-third street Oakland.

Groce, Gertrude Hall Clinton, beloved wife of Edward J. Clinton, & native of Junction City, Kan., died 41 years.

CLOUGH—In this city, December 8, 1915, Mr. Ben E. Clough, beloved husband of Lizzie T. Clough, living father of George B. Clough, Mrs. W. W. Helges, Mrs. Frank Boutz, &

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FELDMAN—In this city, December 9, Henry John, dearly beloved son of Anna and the late Heart Feldman and devoted brother of

CHAMBER ELECTS NINE DIRECTORS

Seven of Number Are Chosen
for Three-year
Terms.

Nine directors were elected at the annual election of the Oakland Chamber of Commerce and Commercial Club at Hotel Oakland yesterday, seven of them for three-year terms, one to the two-year term and the ninth to a one-year term of office. The new board of directors will organize at a meeting to be held Tuesday evening, when a new president will probably be chosen to succeed Victor H. Merrill, who has been in office a year. The total vote cast was 123. Those elected to three-year terms at yesterday's election are Joseph R. Knapp, who received a vote of 47; John L. Howard Jr., 25; Frederick Kahn, 20; Arthur Allen, 13; W. K. Cole, 10; J. H. Brown, 8; F. V. Jones, 6; two-year term, Dr. A. S. Kelly, 20; one-year term, F. J. Kneeling, 20. All three elected were on the so-called A. S. Lavenson ticket, as opposed to

Copper May Now Be Sent to Swiss

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—It became known here today that shipments of copper and other materials are now going forward to Switzerland from this country after long being out off by the extensive powers. It is understood that Switzerland has organized an association which guarantees that given shipments consigned to it will remain in Switzerland.

FUNERAL SERVICE HELD.
BURIAL, Dec. 9.—Funeral services were held today for Captain A. L. Trautman, who died at his home, 1841 Seventy-fourth avenue, Monday. He was 44 years of age and a native of St. Louis. Surviving him are his widow, Mrs. Katherine Trautman, and a family consisting of Alfred, Albert, Fred and Charles. His father, John Trautman, and his brothers, Nathan, Marie, Peter and Captain Martin Trautman.

DAUGHTERS PLAN WHIST.
Aloia Parlor No. 125, Native Daughters of the Golden West, will have a whist party on Tuesday evening, December 14, in Golden West Hall, Pacific Building. The ticket was known as the "oppression" ticket. Immediately after the election results had been made known a membership meeting of the club members was held and also ended to Monday night, when President Merrill will present his final report to the organization.

Timber Land Fraud Investigation Begun

SAN BERNARDINO, Dec. 9.—What is regarded by John J. Beckman, director of the State Lands Department at Portland, Ore., as total evidence in a federal action pending against the Oregon Lumber Company was obtained here yesterday in the examination of Peter J. Ryan, a 1913 winner here, before United States Commissioner Charles Post. Ryan declared that in 1901, at which time he was employed by the Oregon Lumber Company, he was sent to the Oregon coast on 140 acres of timber land near Baker City, Ore., that his expenses were paid and that later he was given \$100 for his interest in the land.

Is Badly Injured When Hit by Truck

SAN LEANDRO, Dec. 9.—Mandel Gonzalez, a saloon employee, was run down and seriously injured by a motor car near the Southern Pacific tracks on Davis street yesterday. He stepped off the sidewalk to attach a hose to a street faucet when the truck hit him, knocking him down and mauling over his foot. Backs a crushed and he suffered internal injuries. He was taken to the hospital. He was attended by Dr. L. Michael, Joseph S. Na was driver of the truck which was owned by a brewery firm.

LEAGUE OF CROSS TO GIVE MILITARY BALL



MISS AGNES GALVIN (LEFT) AND MISS BLANCH ROBERTS, FEMININE WORKERS FOR THE SUCCESS OF THE LEAGUE OF THE CROSS MILITARY BALL.

In preparation for the first military ball to be given by the League of the Cross, a committee of feminine aids headed by Miss Ethel Donovan began decorating Maple hall this morning with the company's colors, orange and black. The event will be an elaborate one of tomorrow evening.

With representatives of every military organization around the bay present, taking an active part in the affair, in uniform, the ballroom will present an unusually brilliant spectacle, especially at 9 o'clock, when Colonel and Mrs. John M. Flynn will lead a military grand march.

The proceeds are to go to the uniform fund of the company, and as already a

large number of tickets have been sold the financial success of Friday night's ball is already assured. The committee of arrangements includes the following: Lieutenant John J. Carey, chairman; Lieutenant R. E. Galvin, Sergeant E. T. Martin, Sergeant George Prefontaine, Sergeant Rud Kennedy, Sergeant L. Stier, Private M. O'Neill, Private R. Loran, Private E. Kennedy. In addition to the members, a corps of 50 young women from the St. Francis de Sales parish is working to assist in making the function go with spirit. Among Miss Donovan's staff are Miss Vera Olsen, Miss Agnes Galvin, Miss Blanch Roberts, Miss Katherine Harrison, Miss Kate Casey and Miss Helen McGrath.

WOULD ADD DAY TO HOME SHOW

Attendance Indicative of City's
Support of Enterprise
Within Border.

More than 4000 people attended the Oakland Women's Household Show yesterday, the largest number to ever visit an exposition of this kind here, and one that shows that Oakland is loyal to the manufacturers, merchants and others, 200 of whom have taken space in the show.

The Oakland crowd did not come merely as sightseers, but with an enthusiasm for the exhibits and an interest in the products made and sold here. The show has been so successful that the exhibitors are to draw up a petition to the auditorium management asking that it be kept open at least one more day to make Sunday, not next Saturday, the closing day.

Manager L. W. Buckley of the auditorium, who has conducted industrial exhibitions, land shows, automobile shows and many similar expositions for many years, is enthused with the present show. "Not only the manufacturers and merchants, but all the people of Oakland are to be congratulated upon the success of this undertaking," Buckley said today. "It has been a go from the first and one result it will have in the future is confidence from the knowledge that 'Oakland knows how.' The auditorium is an ideal edifice for affairs of this kind and I hope that many more will be held there. It will do more to bring the people of the east bay cities, and the bay cities for that matter, together than anything else I know of."

Special programs will mark the closing days. The Alameda 1915 chorus is to sing on an evening not yet named. Saturday afternoon will be children's day, the youngsters to be admitted for half price. Moving pictures, under the supervision of County Superintendent of Schools George W. Erick will be given in the municipal theater. The prize winners in the big baby show, held Tuesday afternoon, are to be shown on the stage in the arena, with Blanche Fayson, the giant policeman, late of the Zone, on guard to keep away kidnappers. Many samples of food, stuffs and other articles are to be given away Saturday afternoon by the exhibitors.

The big feature in the evening will be the wedding. There will be all the trimmings of a big church wedding, special music, floral decorations, wedding bell, attendants, wedding supper. Colonel Theodore Gier will be master of ceremonies. The committee in charge of the arrangements consists of Mrs. S. Anderson, Joseph E. Caine, J. A. Fenton, Harry G. Williams and Alice F. Hunt. The groom's girl name is Frieda Edgar Kuno. Hans Maximilian Alexander Peterson and the bride is Miss Martha Emma Lorenz, both of San Francisco.

Mrs. Hanes' Menu for Friday, December 10.
Medallions of Fish—Creole style.
Fish Turbans.
Baked Fish with Fish Dressing.
Pineapple.
Fish Bechamel Sauce.
Yellow Bechamel Sauce.
Tomato Bechamel Sauce.
Mornay Sauce.
Milkbeche Sauce.
Mashed Potato and Sauce.
Cream Puffs.
Two ways to make coffee (by request).

Youths Sentenced for Stealing Autos

HANFORD, Dec. 9.—Frank Randall and Arthur R. Bucklee (the boys who recently stole J. A. Whitlow's auto here and drove it across the Mexican line, were sentenced to the Prison reform school today by Judge M. L. Short, presiding in the juvenile court. The boys have been in trouble before on several occasions.

Railroad Key Men Secure Pay Increase

CINCINNATI, Dec. 9.—One thousand telegraph operators of the Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis road will receive an increase in wages that will cost the road \$100,000 yearly, according to an agreement reached today. The telegraphers had demanded increases totaling \$75,000.

DIES AFTER OPERATION.
MARTINEZ, Dec. 9.—Ralph Dobson, one of the earliest and most prominent ranchers and lodge members of Contra Costa county, passed away yesterday at the Alameda Sanatorium in Alameda following an operation for stomach trouble. Dobson was the proprietor of one of the largest ranches in San Ramon valley and was a member of the Odd Fellows and Foresters of America. He was 55 years of age.

Coffee House to Take the Place of Saloon

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 9.—Dean J. Martyn Hart, rector of St. John's Episcopal church here, and other leading Episcopalian clergymen of the city, have established a coffee house in the lower part of the business district, to be used as a place of companionship for men after the Colorado prohibition law goes into effect January 1. The mission is intended for the class which at present resorts to the saloons for sociability, the members say. George Bruce Wycliffe, the superintendent of the coffee house, and who styles himself "A knight of the road," is said to hold degrees from three leading universities in England, Germany and the United States.

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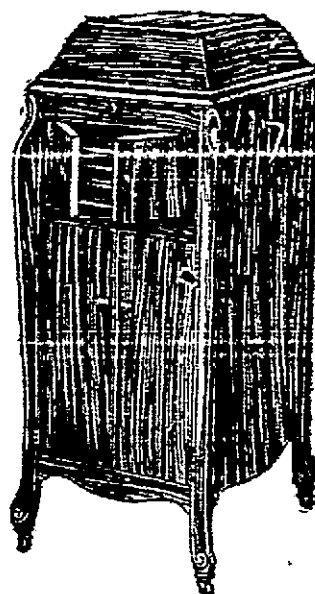
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